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BRITAIN'S DEFENCE PROPOSALS

QUESTION OF FINANCE TO BE SHELVED POSTPONED TO BUDGET STATEMENT

London, To-day. In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replying to Opposition questions concerning the financing of the Government's defence programmes, said that it would be more appropriate to consider the method of meeting the cost during the budget statement. He had not yet decided how the money was to be raised, and Parliament would not have this information during the impending defence debate. Owing to the flexible nature and variable rate of the execution it was impracticable to state even approximately the total cost or the additional cost of upkeep. After Major Attlee and Mr. Herbert Morrison had strongly urged that Parliament and the country should not be asked to approve the programme before knowing the cost, Mr. Stanley Baldwin promised to consider the matter.

JAPANESE CABINET

Seven Posts Reported Accepted
INVESTITURE OF PREMIER THIS AFTERNOON

Tokyo, To-day. Count Kurane Yuasa, former Minister of the Imperial Household, has accepted the position of Lord Privy Seal, and Mr. Tsuneo Matsudaira, former Ambassador to London, the Ministry of the Imperial Household. The following other posts in the Cabinet have been accepted:—
Premier: Mr. Koki Hirota;

DEADLOCK REACHED

Tokyo: The formation of the Hirota Cabinet has come to a deadlock, owing to the failure to obtain military co-operation.—Reuter.

Foreign Affairs: The former Ambassador, Mr. Shigeru Yoshida;

Finance: Dr. Eiichi Baba, President of the Hypothec Bank; (Continued on Page 14)

RUSSO-JAPANESE RELATIONS

Unchanged By Tokyo Revolt

Moscow, To-day. The Japanese Ambassador assured M. Litvinoff yesterday that the recent events in Tokyo will not affect Japan's foreign policy, particularly as regards her relations with the Soviet.

M. Litvinoff, in his reply, expressed satisfaction and announced the Soviet's readiness to settle all outstanding questions amicably but he added that the tranquility of the Soviet-Manchukuo and Mongolian-Manchukuo frontiers was a prerequisite for the success of any negotiations.—Reuter.

FRANCO-SOVIET PACT

Paris, To-day. — A favourable report on the Franco-Russian Pact was tabled in the Senate by Senator le Trocquer at yesterday's session, so that the Senate is now in a position to debate the Pact. — Trans-Ocean Service.

Lt.-Com. R. T. Bower (C. Cleveland) enquired whether, in view of the Government's programme for imperial defence, Mr. Baldwin would call a conference of Dominions and Indian representatives, including the Indian Princes, with a view to the Dominions' and India's contributing more materially to the defence of common interests. (Continued on Page 8)

H.M. VISITS THE "QUEEN MARY"

Considerable Interest Displayed

TOUCHING INCIDENT AT GLASGOW TENEMENT

Glasgow, To-day. His Majesty the King was accompanied by Sir Godfrey Collins, Mr. Walter Runciman, Lord Weir, officials of the builders, John Brown and Co., Ltd., and the Cunard-White Star Company in his visit yesterday to the liner Queen Mary. During the inspection His Majesty asked repeated questions about the construction of the vessel, the comfort of the passengers and other particulars, and at the end of a visit lasting 2 1/2 hours, expressed pleasure at what he had seen, remarking that it was a ship built for utility. It was revealed to His Majesty that the service speed of the liner will be 29 knots. (Continued on Page 14)

N.Y. LIFTMEN'S STRIKE

Further Extension Pending

VIOLENCE HAS DIMINISHED

New York, To-day. The strike is still unsettled, but the violence has diminished. New Yorkers have not been seriously inconvenienced owing to the presence of substitute liftmen. The police so far have made 90 arrests for assault and other offences.

Mr. Bambrick, leader of the union of building employees, has ordered preparations for a further extension of the strike to the midtown Grand Central terminus district, containing numerous skyscrapers, and also to the boroughs of Queens and Brooklyn. — Reuter.



Father Neptune has been kicking up of late as this picture, made during the last Atlantic crossing of the ss. Europa, vividly illustrates.

ESPIONAGE TRIAL AT OLD BAILEY

GERMAN DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE

London, To-day. Dr. Goertz, the German national being tried at the Old Bailey on charges of espionage, entered the witness box yesterday afternoon to give an account of the actions which led to the charges. Describing his career he said that he received the Iron Cross during the war.

A GUARDSMAN'S MOUSTACHE

The House Has A Day Off

KING'S REGULATIONS QUESTIONED

London, To-day. Guardsman Bursell's moustache has cost him 28 days' detention by Court Martial. The sentence was not for refusing to shave his moustache, as Sir Victor Warrender, Financial Secretary to the War Office, informed a curious House of Commons yesterday afternoon, but for refusing to fall in when ordered to do so by his commanding officer after the latter had sentenced him to 10 days' confinement to barracks for declining to remove the appendage.

The members of the House chuckled when Sir Victor Warrender added that it was obviously within the discretion of the commanding officer to order the removal of the moustache because of its unsoldierly appearance. He had been previously ordered to remove it or to grow it properly. (Continued on Page 14)

PORTO RICO TROUBLE

Seven Nationalists Arrested

San Juan, Porto Rico, To-day. The American authorities have arrested Pedro Albizu Campos, the President, and six other members of the Nationalist Party on a charge of recruiting soldiers in a conspiracy to overthrow the American Government on the island by force. Bail has been fixed at \$2,000 each. The arrests are a sequel to the murder of the American Chief of Police on February 23. The National Guard units in San Juan have been mobilised in case of emergency.—Reuter.

OFFENSIVE AGAINST RAS NASIBU

DECISIVE VICTORY EXPECTED

SUCCESS WILL CUT OFF ETHIOPIAN SUPPLY COLUMNS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Mogadishu, To-day.

This town, the capital of Somaliland, presents a picture of feverish activity, as the preparations are made for what may be the decisive engagement in the campaign.

General Graziani is preparing his great offensive against Ras Nasibu, and is expecting a definite victory.

Ras Nasibu has not only got the task of protecting the Djibouti-Addis Ababa Railway, but also the caravan route from Harar to Jijiga and to British Somaliland, where all the Abyssinian provisions come from, so that in the event of his army being defeated the Abyssinians would be cut off from supplies in provisions and war material.

DEADLOCK IN AIR MAIL

Flights From Canton Abandoned

AUTHORITIES UPHOLD OBJECTIONS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day. Owing to the objections of the Canton authorities, the scheduled flight to Hanoi to make connection with the Hanoi-Marseilles air service will not take place this morning, and future flights are definitely off. It is not likely that the Ministry of Communications in Nanking will grant the franchise to the South-west Aviation Corporation, although its manager, Mr. Lau Pui-chuen, denied that he would soon go to Nanking in this connection.

"Those vernacular reports are groundless," Mr. Lau said. "I will go only when I am approached by the Ministry."

The local agents of the China National Aviation Corporation, whose planes undertook the flights in the past, have given up hope of continuing the service. Asked whether it is possible that the planes may fly from Shanghai to Hanoi without touching Canton, they declared that no such plan is under contemplation.

Owned by the Kwangtung and Kwangsi Governments, the South-west Aviation Corporation has a fleet of six Stinson monoplanes.

DEATH OF FAMOUS ARCHAEOLOGIST

Berkeley, California, To-day. The death has occurred of Dr. W. F. Bade, the archaeologist and discoverer of the lost city of Mizpah in Palestine.—Reuter.

COMMUNISTS RETREATING

Peiping, To-day.—From Tanyuanfu an official communique states that the victory over the Reds west of Fenchow is being followed up. The Shansi troops are carrying all before them and are meeting with scanty resistance.—Reuter.

COLD SPELL TO CONTINUE PREVIOUS LOW RECORD PASSED

The cold spell continues to make local history. The minimum temperature recorded to-day was at 2 a.m., when the thermometer registered 44.3 degrees Fahrenheit. This is more than a degree below the previous low record for March, recorded in 1921.

The cold weather is likely to continue for a time, we understand, the wind continuing to remain in the north-east quarter.

Quietly behind the scenes the Tung Wah Hospital authorities have been sending men out during the past two cold-nights distributing Chinese quilts among those street sleepers who have been unable to gain admittance to the various shelters in the Colony. The quilts are taken back in the early morning, preparatory for

distribution again at nighttime.

TIGER SHRINKS

The Kowloon tiger appears to have shrunk from the cold, since it was last seen on Sunday morning. An examination of the spoors left by the animal reveals that it is probably a panther or cheetah, as they are not large enough to be those of a tiger. What the animal will eventually turn out to be still remains to be seen. (Continued on Page 14)



General Graziani, above, Italian Commander-in-Chief on the Southern Front, is feverishly preparing for a large-scale offensive against Ras Nasibu.

HOOGLIGANISM BY STUDENTS

Professor Jeze Again Molested

POLICE CALLED OUT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

The sorely tried Professor Jeze was again the object of hostile demonstrations yesterday, when, on entering the lecture room, he was greeted with a deafening din and cries of "Resign." A free fight was then staged, and the anti-Jezers were getting the worst when the door was broken open and reinforcements of the demonstrators came to the assistance of the losing party. Police had again to be called in to restore law and order.

Professor Jeze was escorted from the building by several policemen, to the accompaniment of abuse and jeers from his enemies, who are mostly Right-wingers or belong to the "Action Francaise." — Trans-Ocean Service.

POLITICS IN GREECE

War Minister Resigns

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Athens, To-day.

After a lengthy conference of the leading military personages, a delegation went to the War Minister, who consequently called on the King and was granted an audience immediately.

It was subsequently announced that the War Minister, General Papagos, and his Under-Secretary, General Platis, had resigned, and that the Party leader, M. Metaxas, had been appointed in General Papagos' place. It is expected that until the election of the President of the Chamber, the situation will remain calm. — Trans-Ocean Service.

LORD BEATTY'S ILLNESS

Condition Causes Some Anxiety

London, To-day. A bulletin states that Admiral Lord Beatty is not so well, and his condition causes some anxiety.—Reuter.

EUMORFOPOULOS COLLECTION

To Be On View At Museum

London, To-day.

In view of the great demand for a prolongation of the Chinese exhibition the Eumorfopoulos collection of Chinese art will be on view in its entirety at the Victoria and Albert Museum within a few weeks, it is announced in a letter to *The Times* signed by Messrs. George Hill and Eric Maclagan.

The Times, in a leader, says that the exhibition at Burlington House has done so much both to awaken and deepen interest in Chinese art that the Eumorfopoulos collection will now be more enjoyed and better understood than it could have been before. All the more reason therefore for showing appreciation by helping to provide the balance of the purchase-money.—Reuter.

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FROM EUROPE

Achilles (Air Mail ex. Imperial Service) 9
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Rawalpindi 6
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Antenor 10
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Pres. Coolidge 12
Pres. Adams 13
Suwa Maru 13

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Jefferson 6
Emp. of Asia 12
Pres. Coolidge 12
Pres. Adams 13

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Achilles 9
Torukuni Maru 10
Toyooka Maru 13

FROM JAPAN

Pres. Jefferson 6
Rawalpindi 6
Gen. Pershing 6
Lisbon Maru 7
Moriska Maru 7
Anyo Maru 10
Emp. of Asia 12
Pres. Coolidge 12
Pres. Adams 13
Suwa Maru 13
Malacca Maru 14

FROM MANILA

Taiping 6
Scharnhorst 10
Athos II 10

FROM AUSTRALIA

Taiping 6

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Emp. of Japan (via Van-couver) 6
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
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Rawalpindi (Imperial Service) 7
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Athos II (Air Orient Service) 10
Closes: Reg. 9.30 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Pres. Pierce (via Siberia) 10

FOR SHANGHAI

Havel 6
Emp. of Japan 6
Pres. Doumer 6
Pres. Pierce 10
Scharnhorst 10
Taiping Maru 15

Women's Page

Fashions On The Stage

Are Skirts To Be Shorter?

The frocks in the Noel Coward plays at the Phoenix Theatre, are specially interesting, as:

They are full of valuable clues to spring fashion secrets. Are short skirts going to be fashionable again? One day dress, made for Miss Gertrude Lawrence in a heavy olive green silk and wool mixture, is considerably more than twelve inches off the ground. It is severely tailored and buttoned to the throat.

Its coat, slit at the back, has a high collar of two cross foxes the heads meeting at the waist. Double bands of fox are carried round the front of the hem.

Imposing Collars

Collars are going to be imposing. One reaches below the waist at the back and is gathered into ruffling in front. It is worn over a classical evening gown (evening dresses are still ground length) of aquamarine blue dull-faced crepe.

Dull crepe is used, too, for a dinner dress in a rich shade of Indian blue. It has a high draped neck line, long sleeves cut to points over the hand, and a large bow which gathers up the skirt drapery to the hip.

Day dresses are simply tailored. One of royal blue crepe printed with rippling white lines.

It has a turn-over white collar, belt, and single pocket in the centre of the skirt.

PUFFS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

For The Smart Woman

In spite of attractive tiny compacts with diminutive flannel-like powder puffs inside them, many of the smartest women like to carry loose powder in a pretty little case. They add a swansdown puff, sewn to a chiffon handkerchief to the contents of their handbags.

For everyday, or sports wear, however, there are puffs, attached to washing silk handkerchiefs. And if you like to be exclusive you might choose the brightest of coloured silk handkerchiefs and sew a vivid, contrasting circle of swansdown in the centre.

For smart occasions, puffs are also sewn to squares of pastel tinted chiffon velvet, picot edged.



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For the races, something like this unusual tailleur of handloom wool is appropriate. The skirt is champagne-coloured, cut in flaring panels, while the modified swallow-tail jacket is in two-tone beige with a cut-out rest front. Joan Blondell, the screen actress, is the model.

ENVELOPES FOR PACKING

Boon For Light Clothes

We are all hardened travellers nowadays; though to many of us packing and unpacking is still an unpleasant undertaking, which has to be tackled in a very business-like manner if it is to be simplified as much as possible.

Large transparent "envelopes" in which to pack undies, stockings and forth are a great boon, because they can be taken straight from the trunk to the drawer, and the contents can be seen at a glance.

For packing shoes, the latest idea is to have a square of cretonne, with a coloured tape attached to one corner. The shoes are folded in the cretonne, and the tape wrapped round and round them, the end being tucked inside.

MILK AND OIL STAINS

Small children's garments frequently become stained with milk or castor oil. Glycerine is the best medium for removing milk stains on garments of this kind and should be applied as soon as possible. Dab the glycerine on the stains with a pad of cotton wool and leave it on for a time. Afterwards the garments may be washed in the usual way, and it will be found that no trace of milk stains remains. A solution of chlorinated lime will nearly always remove stubborn cod-liver oil or castor-oil stains. Use one teaspoonful of the chlorinated lime to half pint of water. Soak the stains in the solution and then rinse well.

THE WELL-GROOMED WOMAN

Attracts Without Beauty

SOME POINTS TO REMEMBER

The woman who "stands out" among a large group of people, at a party, for instance, is not always beautiful but she is invariably well groomed. She has chosen her gown with care, and has seen that it fits her without a wrinkle, and has no bits and pieces attached to it which will detract from the grace of her figure.

Her face and hair are as near perfection as possible, for she has given them all the care and attention without which even a really lovely woman looks commonplace.

All In Harmony

You never find the well-groomed woman using cosmetics which are out of harmony with each other and with her own colouring and personality. True, she may experiment with new preparations and fresh make-up styles, but such experiments are carried out in secret before the finished result is shown to the world.

She is quite sure that rouge and lipstick match each other — an important point which is often overlooked by many women. In order to ensure a perfect match, the easiest way is to colour lips and cheeks with the same preparation.

The face should be still slightly moist from the cleansing milk or skin tonic, so that the colour is easily smoothed over the cheeks, towards the ears and the edges worked carefully so that no hard lines remain. Colour should also be faintly indicated along the jaw bone, near the ear.

Over The Rouge

The foundation should be used over the rouge, for a natural effect, and time taken in smoothing it carefully over the face and neck is well spent.

Powder should be puffed generously over the skin including the ears, neck, then when the rest of the make-up has been accomplished, the face should be dusted over lightly with a perfectly clean swansdown puff or a make-up brush, which is rather like a baby's soft little hairbrush.

In this way the make-up is thoroughly blended — and you are well on the way to achieving an air of careful grooming.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

HUMP GRIP
RISE ASCA
REPELS EVENTS
LAC STEAMER TOT
AVER SATIN SAAR
MEDAL HIG SPIRE
C EVIAN BEARLE
M ANEW D ARTS 18
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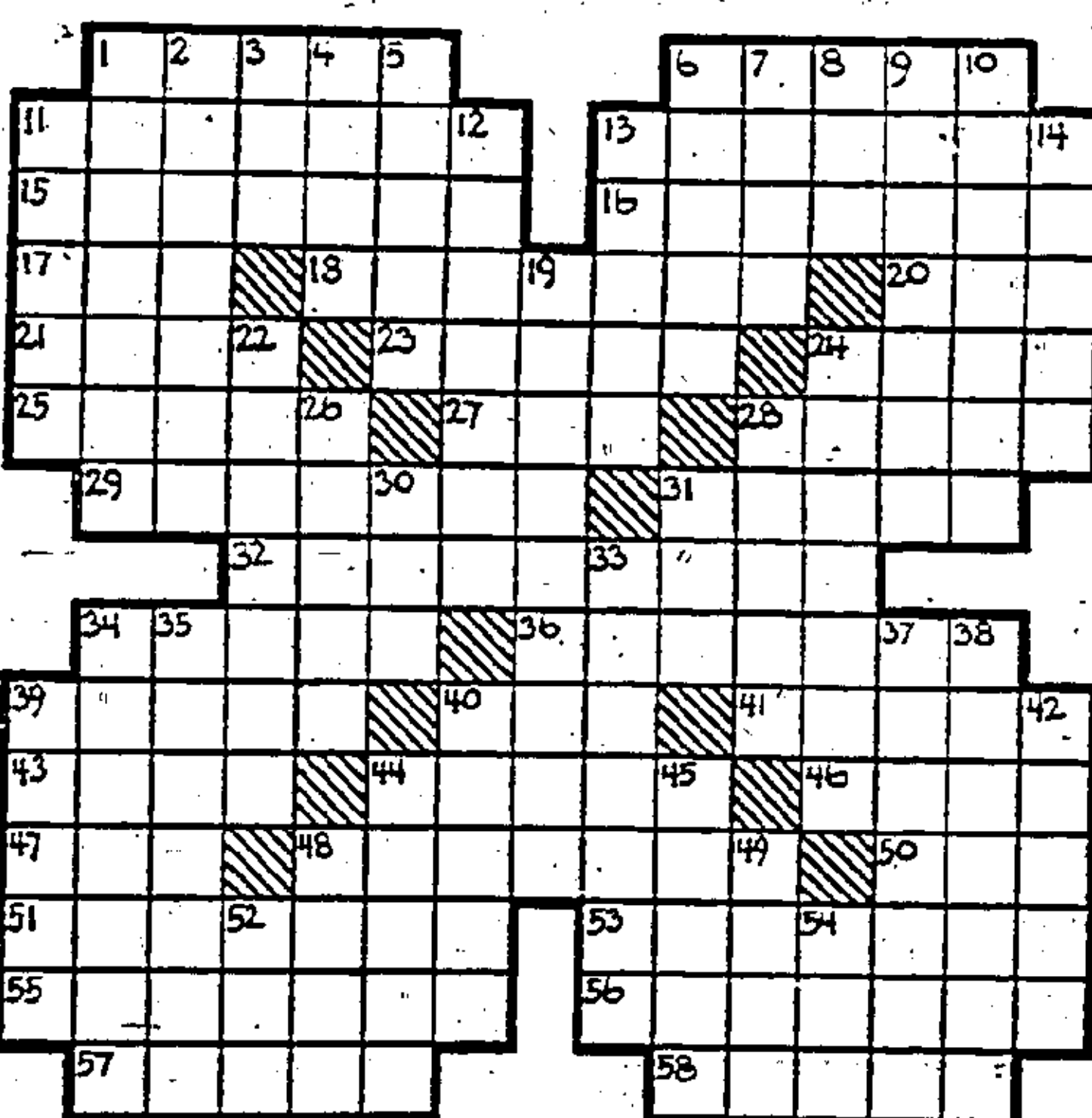
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



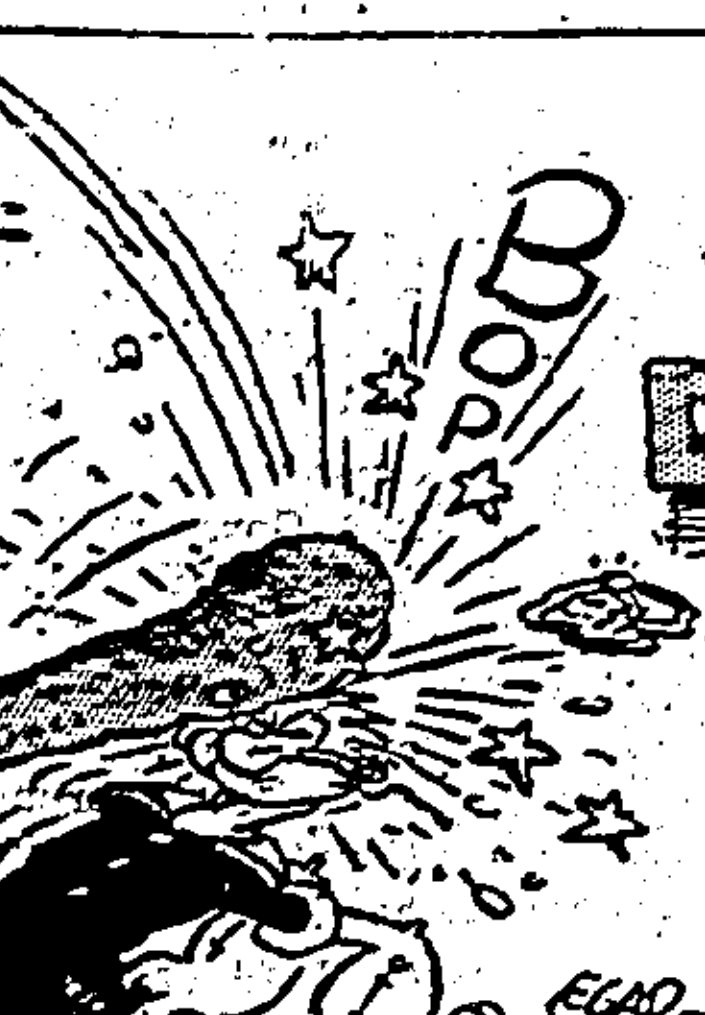
- HORIZONTAL**
- Contests of speed
 - The theater
 - Estimated
 - Saving
 - Ratify
 - That may be used
 - Digit
 - A fabric of open-work
 - Hinder
 - Brother of Jacob (Bible)
 - Approaches
 - Shape
 - Writing tables
 - Rights (abbr.)
 - Cakes of pressed tobacco
 - To unbalance the mind
 - Heistate
 - Reciprocal
 - Grooves
 - Girl's name
 - Extends over
 - Drunk on looser
 - A snout, as the boat of a bird
 - Long for
 - Wild animal
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- Wool for knitting
 - An insect
 - Locks of hair
 - On-like animal of Asia
 - Containing more reads
 - Place in a detached position
 - City thoroughfares
 - Reel
 - Cuts (Scott. Spelling)
 - Spread (Simp. Spelling)
- VERTICAL**
- Micro-organisms
 - An aquatic bug
 - Region in S. W. Russia
 - Readiness of speech
 - Curse meat
 - Inner court of a Spanish house
 - Nights (abbr.)
 - Chum
 - Greek goddess of vengeance
 - Antique musical instrument (pl.)
 - Portable light
 - Charge for hauling
 - Supplied with air
 - Boxes
 - Framework for carrying a corpse (pl.)
 - A liquid measure of Denmark
 - Allowances for waste in transportation
 - Reclines
 - Bound
 - A cleansing agent
 - Scotch river
 - Low Greek (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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To-morrow. — "The Watching Eye."



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The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 29th February to 11th March 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

And notice is hereby also given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place immediately after the termination of the above mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

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(2) That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the net proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to such fractions making up the share.

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BRIDGE NOTES

Gauging Freaks

By Ely Culbertson

It is difficult to recommend "correct" bidding on a freak hand. Thousands of people write me to ask how I would bid some hand containing crazy distribution and a profusion of void suits and singletons. I must answer quite frankly that I do not know. It would depend entirely upon the other players in the game, for one method may be good against weak players and another method against strong players.

To-day's hand occurred in a pair tournament of the American Whist League. It was bid by about 40 expert players and at scarcely any two tables was the bidding exactly alike. Some experts passed where others bid; some reached a Grand Slam, while one pair stopped at five clubs. The bidding which I liked best was that given below:

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Both sides vulnerable.

S 5 3 2
H Q J 7 6 5 4 3
D 5 2
C 8
S — N S K Q J 9 7
H — W E H A K
D J 10 9 7 6 4 3 S D A K 8
C A K Q 7 5 2 C J 6 4
S A 10 8 6 4
H 10 9 8 2
D Q
C 10 9 3

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs).

West North East South
1D.(1) Pass 2S.(2) Pass
3C.(3) Pass 3D.(4) Pass
4C.(5) Pass 4NT(6) Pass
4C.(7) Pass 6NT(8) Pass
7D.(9) Pass Pass Dbl.(10) Pass Pass Pass

1—Some players preferred to pass a freak such as the West hand, but I think the opening diamond bid is proper since West wants not only to bid but to rebid both of his suits.

2—Almost everyone agreed on this bid except for a few. One-over-One extremists whose erroneous reasoning is that since the one-spade response is forcing, there is no reason for East bids only one spade, he will never be able to show the full strength of his hand.

3—About this bid there can be no question.

4—Having made a bid which is forcing to game, East can afford to proceed slowly and give as much information with each bid as possible.

5—Each time West rebids clubs he infers additional strength in diamonds, for he bid the diamond suit first.

6—The conventional bid. Unfortunately, East cannot bid five notrump which would show the Kings of two bid suits and allow West to bid a Grand Slam as a matter of course.

7—West jumps to six clubs to show his Ace and the fact that he does not require any great amount of support.

8—Among expert players a bid of six notrump is nearly equivalent to a bid of seven in a suit if any suit has been agreed upon. While it can be passed, it is considered a strong invitation to bid seven.

9—West not only has added values in distribution, but actually cannot risk a notrump contract.

10—South refused to pay attention to the bidding which advertised the freak nature of West's hand. Having the Ace of East's first bid suit, he decided that the Grand Slam could not be made.

There is obviously no defence against seven diamonds and West's one mistake was in not redoubling.

WOMAN'S TUBE FALL

Miss Ellen Windsor, aged 65, of Josephine-avenue, Brickton, fell in front of a Tube train at Clapham Common station last month and was taken to hospital.

NAVY'S ESSENTIAL DUTIES

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for the air menace developed. In the Fleet of -to-morrow anti-aircraft defence, both active and passive, will receive the attention it merits.

This technical problem is now being closely studied, and plans for bomb-proof warships are known to be in preparation.

Turning to the broader, strategic aspect of the question, let us consider the claims of those who maintain that the Air Force has already superseded the Navy as our first line of defence, if it has not, indeed, rendered naval power largely superfluous.

If by "first line of defence" is meant the protection of British hearths and homes, then it might be argued that neither service is capable of warding off air attack.

Frankly Admitted

The Navy frankly admits its incapacity in this respect, and the Prime Minister has declared that no degree of air strength at home can guarantee this country against air raids.

That the fear of retaliation—assuming British air parity with any potential aggressor—will save us from such raids is a comforting but, as yet, an unproved theory.

There is, on the other hand, nothing hypothetical about the danger of starvation, the shadow of which lay heavy over this land in 1917-18.

In Great Britain, at any given moment, there are stocks of food sufficient for six to eight weeks only. They are replenished daily by cargoes arriving from Canada, the United States, South America, India, Australia, New Zealand, and the Far East.

Excluding Continental sources of supply—which represent only a small percentage of our total imports—6,000 miles is a conservative estimate of the average voyage of the ships bringing food and other commodities to British home ports. They follow certain routes, any deviation from which would prolong the average voyage and thus upset the nicely adjusted schedule of arrivals and clearances on which the feeding of our population and the smooth working of our gigantic industrial machine depends.

Seaborne Trade Menaced

In the future, as always in the past, our enemies will try to dislocate this schedule by harrying our seaborne trade. If precedent is followed they will employ both surface raiders and submarines, the former operating far afield, the latter at the nodal points where ocean traffic routes begin to converge on United Kingdom ports. A determined offensive against our trade on the high seas would, unless defeated, infallibly create famine conditions at home in a few months.

During the Great War two lone raiding cruisers, Emden and Karlsruhe, played havoc with our ocean trade, and caused disorganization on a scale out of all proportion to their individual fighting power. Yet the Emden never came nearer than 5,000 miles, and the Karlsruhe never closer than 3,000 miles, to the coast of England, and for the most part they operated hundreds of miles from the nearest land. How, then, could they have been dealt with by air-power alone?

Aircraft cannot operate beyond a few hundred miles from shore bases. If they work on the high seas they can do so only from ships, and the aircraft-carrier is of all ships the most vulnerable, needing naval vessels to protect her from hostile warships, submarines and aircraft.

Long-Range Action

Clearly, therefore, the ocean trade routes, which are literally Britain's vital arteries, still stand in need of naval protection, since it is demonstrably beyond the power of the Air Force alone to safeguard our foodstuffs in the wastes of the North or South Atlantic, the Indian, or the Pacific Oceans.

Once that premise is accepted the case for maintaining an adequate Navy is automatically established.

Without battleships the Navy would not be adequate, for it would be reduced to a mere "light" force to patrol the trade routes. These ships would always be liable to be rolled up and destroyed by hostile ships superior in gun power and armour—battleships, in fact. That, in a nutshell, is the



Katherine Briggs (above) of London came prepared for all weather at Lake Placid, but seems to have her seasons or costumes mixed, as she skis over the drifts in her bathing suit.

case for perpetuating the battle-ship unless and until other Powers discard it entirely.

Aviation, in its present and foreseeable state of development, is not capable of independent long-range action in mass, and the defence of our trade routes is essentially a problem of bringing superior power to bear at any point within the Seven Seas.

Common Fallacy

It is a common fallacy of the all-air school to confuse aircraft operating from land bases with those operating from ships. The latter are part of the Fleet's armament and only operate by virtue of sea-power. They are, in fact, a local weapon, and can function only so long as the ships and fleets that carry them are free to move about the sea. They are merely equivalent to guns of phenomenal range.

Summarising the foregoing facts and arguments, the conclusion seems warranted that while air-power will undoubtedly circumscribe the activities of warships in certain circumstances, the case for abolishing the Navy, or even for transferring its main functions to the Air Force, falls to the ground. Tactics, defensive weapons and special appliances, and, perhaps above all, far-reaching modification of ship design, will tend to keep the new danger within limits which sooner or later will become more clearly defined.

Exaggerated Claims

Meanwhile exaggerated claims on behalf of one service or the other merely darken counsel and confuse the public mind. Writing some two years ago on the sensational claims made by air enthusiasts, I used words which are, I venture to think, particularly apposite to-day: "Owing to their vital importance, all questions relating to national defence demand cool and sober judgment, unaffected, so far as is humanly possible, by prejudice, fad, or fashion. Those who profess extremist views should pause to consider the consequences that would ensue if their views were put into practice, and when an emergency arose, found to be fallacious."

It is easy to perceive that an untrammelled enthusiast, armed with plenary power, might with the best will in the world plunge his country into destruction. Doctrinaires, fanatics, and men possessed of a single idea may, if vested with authority, prove more dangerous than a foreign foe."

MORE DISORDERS
IN SPAINHooliganism By
Mobs

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Madrid, To-day.

In a town in the south of Spain serious disorders broke out on Wednesday, when a group of Left-wing Radicals met a group of Traditionalists coming on the same street in the opposite direction. In the ensuing fight four persons were seriously wounded. Passions had risen so high that the mobs went on to the house of a



TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hon. Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s.)

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7-12 p.m.—"Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 in F Major" (Bach) played by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

1st Movement—Allegro
2nd "—Andante.
3rd "—Allegro assai.
7-21-730 p.m.—"Chauve-Souris"—The Knife Grinder's Daughter Duet from Pique Dame (Tchaikovsky) N. Balieff's Chauve-Souris Company.

730-750 p.m.—Herman Finck and his Orchestra.
750-8 p.m.—From the Studio. "Some recent books" by D.E.A.
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

805-818 p.m.—A Recital by Charlie Kunz (Piano).
Medleys Nos. 6 and 7.
818-830 p.m.—Four Songs by Jeannette MacDonald (Soprano).

1. Always in All ways.
2. Beyond the Blue Horizon.
3. Villanella—The Merry Widow.
4. The Merry Widow Waltz.
830-920 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.

830 p.m.—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 p.m.—Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuters).
920-930 p.m.—Fantasia on Scottish Airs (arr. Mulder) played by D. Groot and his Orchestra.

930-10 p.m.—From the Studio. A Concert by Pat Sinclair (Contralto), Nura Kanis (Pianoforte), Victor Sanders (Baritone). Accompanied—Nura Kanis. Programme

1. Song—Abide with me..... Liddle
Pat Sinclair
2. Pianoforte Solo—Selected.
Nura Kanis

3. Songs—King Charles..... White.
Bedouin Love Song..... Trotter.
Victor Sanders

4. Song—Sink Red Sun..... Del Riego.
At Dawning..... Cadman.
Pat Sinclair
5. Pianoforte Solo—Selected.
Nura Kanis

5. Songs—A Sergeant of the Line..... Squire.
Devotion..... Schumann.
Victor Sanders
10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10-11 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

WA KWANG
CLUBSContest In Singing
And DramaticsANNIVERSARY TO BE
CELEBRATED

A Dramatic and Singing Contest by the Wa Kwang Clubs of the local Y.W.C.A. will be held to-morrow at 7.30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Girls' College, by kind permission of the acting Principal. The contestants are the Wa Kwang Clubs of the Ying Wa Girls' College, St. Paul's Girls' College, St. Stephen's Girls' College, Fairlea Girls' School, St. Agne's Girls' College, and the Sam Kwang and Kang Kwok Clubs, consisting of girls from several schools. The programme consists of five plays, three songs and some other items. The purpose of this contest is to promote the skill and interest in Arts among the girls and to celebrate the 6th anniversary of the Wa Kwang Club Movement of China.

Honorary Helpers

Mrs. M. K. Lo has kindly consented to present the prizes to the winners.

Mrs. Lam Chai Yan, Miss Marie Gomes, and Mr. L. A. Lafford will act as honorary judges for the choir singing, and Miss Ma Yee Ying, Mr. Wong Kwok Fong and Mr. Kwan Men Ching as honorary judges for the plays.

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Catholic priest, dragged him out in the street, and wounded him dangerously with knife-stabs. The police were powerless until they received reinforcements from the neighbourhood, and then some persons were taken into custody and order finally restored—Trans-Ocean Service.

"AVENGER" SENT
TO PRISONThreat To Become
Enemy Of Society

CHARGES OF RICK FIRING

A man who had signed himself "The Phantom Avenger" pleaded guilty at Dorsetshire Assizes last month to four charges of rick-firing and one of writing a letter threatening to destroy a dairy at Wyke Regis.

He was Maurice Clover Higgins, aged 21, a compositor, of Wyke Regis. Sentence of 12 months in the second division was passed in each case, the sentences to run concurrently.

Before passing sentence, Mr. Justice Hawke asked Higgins if he had anything to say. Higgins replied:

"The only thing I can say is that very likely, if you convict me and give me a prison sentence, it may make me turn into an enemy of society."

Not Wise To Threaten

Mr. Justice Hawke: I don't think you would be wise to threaten society in my hearing, but you may do what you like.

Higgins: It is well known that if you sentence a man for an offence done on impulse, very likely you make him an enemy of society, but if you deal with me leniently, I shall always remember it as a kind act, and try to do my best to obliterate the blot on my character made by the present offence.

Mr. Justice Hawke: I think that by the sort of language you have been using you more or less have gone some way to an explanation of your conduct. But it is absurd to talk about uncontrollable impulse when you have four separate deliberate felonies against you and threaten to commit another.

Judge's Advice

Take my advice and don't use these stupid threats to society. Make up your mind to pull yourself together and lead a life which any young man as intelligent as you are can do.

Earlier in the hearing, Higgins said that all his life he had had the impulse to destroy, but never to construct.

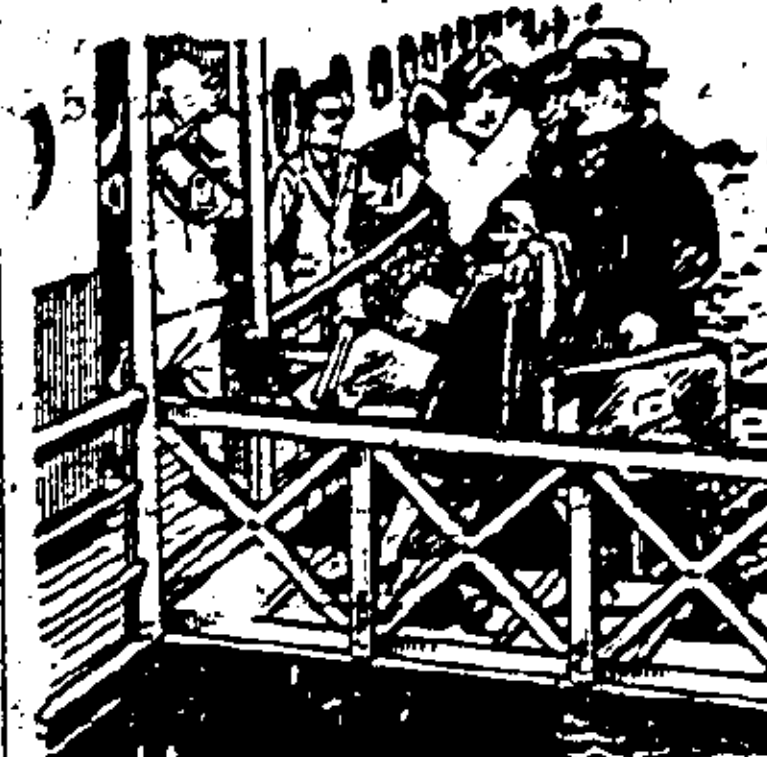
Mr. W. Maitland Walker, prosecuting, said that the ricks were worth £220.

Mr. Scott Henderson, defending, said that Higgins had suffered from heart trouble for 18 months and was under the doctor's care for insomnia. He was a keen student of economics, and lately had been reading the works of Karl Marx. "It may be," said Mr. Henderson, "that over-study, together with his state of health, has made him temporarily unbalanced. I think an explanation of his conduct could only be discovered by a trained psychologist."

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Tickets at £1.00, 70 cents, and 40 cents can be obtained at the Y.W.C.A. and at the door of St. Stephen's Girls' College Hall.

The money raised from this concert will go to the general fund of the Y.W.C.A. to carry on its four free schools for industrial girls.



Home Leave!

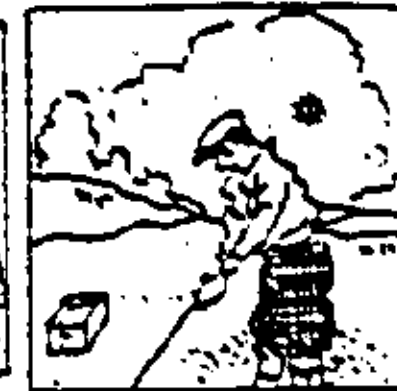
How enviable is the lot of those fortunate people who can say goodbye to the worries of these troublesome Far Eastern days and get away on long leave!

True, changes of air and climate and diet are liable to disorganize the digestion for a while, to upset the regularity of the daily habit. But this need not trouble you at all, if you heed Pinkettes in your bag, for though dainty and tiny, Pinkettes are laxative perfection, and used occasionally when needed, keep the liver active, the digestion good, and ensure regular elimination. They also dispel sick headaches, banish bilious attacks, keep the skin clear and the breath sweet.

In short, Pinkettes keep you well and cheery on land or sea. Of all chemists.



Sporting Page



CLUB MAKE STARTLING CHANGES FOR SOUTH CHINA "A" CLASH

GOOD JUNIOR SOCCER PROGRAMME

R.E. AND EAST LANCS. IN SHIELD POINTER

NAVY IN STRONG POSITION

TWO interesting football games should be witnessed in the Second Division of the League when the Engineers and the East Lincs. meet, and the Navy clash with the Fusiliers. The former encounter should hold a double attraction in view of their clash next week in the final of the Junior Shield.

The East Lincs. team will be somewhat stronger than their Shield team and will include Radcliffe and Mather. Tuley, who has only recently started playing again, has now developed into one of their most dangerous forwards, while O'Donnell is capable of giving him every assistance.

In their defence Ball and Coster are both good and, though they will be up against the robust methods of the Sappers, should do well. The Sappers are fielding their best team. Hurst, Darby and Howlett, the inside forwards, are a dangerous trio. Callard and Creagh are both extremely useful wings, while in the defence Boyling, Coleman and Selleck are now playing at the top of their form.

In the other game, the Navy, who are leading in the race for the Junior Championship, encounter the Fusiliers. The Navy side will remain unchanged and, with Spencer, Wide Gould in their present form, should give the Fusilier an anxious time.

Their intermediate line have been playing together for some time and have acquired a good understanding.

Recreio Badly Hit

Recreio will be badly hit by a lack of players—a number of their complement are playing in the Annual schoolboys' game—and probably will not be able to offer much resistance to the Athletic.

Kowloon entertain South China and, in spite of their many defeats, will probably collect both points from the Chinese. Roberts, a newcomer, will be playing in the intermediate line, while Winch, Pereira and Fuxman will be among the forwards.



Farrow, above, the Club pivot, will be given the unenviable task of marking Lee Wai-tong in tomorrow's First Division clash, which is expected to draw a tremendous crowd to Caroline Hill.

KOWLOON'S BIG TASK AGAINST THE ATHLETIC

Young Blood In Their Attack

CHINESE ALSO FAIR WELL TO DATE

Kowloon are making no changes from last week's side for their First Division League soccer encounter to-morrow against the Athletic on their home ground, and an exciting clash is anticipated.

Roberts, who was brought into the side as right-half last Saturday, has justified his retention in that position and, together with Bliss and "Paddy" Boyd, should be able to hold out against the Athletic defence.

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LAI WAH CUP FINAL

Royal Navy To Meet Chinese

TEAM FOR SUNDAY NOT YET SELECTED

Sunday will see the final of another representative football match when the Royal Navy and the Chinese clash in the last stage of the Lai Wah Cup competition on the military ground at Sookun-poo.

The Navy have not yet selected their side and will not do until after to-morrow's League matches, which is a very wise policy as they will have the services of several of their junior players, who

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The famous South China "A" intermediate line, above, (L to R) Leung Wing-chiu, Wong Mei-shun and Lee Kwok-wai, will be seen in action to-morrow afternoon in their epic clash with the Club in their return First Division match, having won the first by the odd goal in three.

POLICE WITHOUT JOHNSON

Pope Promoted To Inside-Right

SHOULD BEAT RIFLES TO-MORROW

The Rifles, after opening their local soccer season with a display of brilliant and inspiring soccer, failed miserably last Sunday against the Athletic at Caroline Hill and their chances against the Police to-morrow, even although they are playing at home, are considered very slender.

The Rifles' defence was lacking in staying powers last week, while their three halves, McGonigal, Campbell and Nelson did not play as a unit, but as three individuals. Had it not been for Campbell's brilliant positioning and anticipation, the Athletic might have brought their total to the half-dozen mark!

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FIRST DIVISION TEAMS

The following are the First Division teams for the week-end.

Club: — Rodgers, Hill and S. Strange; Drown, Farrow and E. Strange; Fowler, Pearce, Elliot, Wilson and Bickford.

Rifles: — Conner, Coyne and Stevens; McGonigal, Campbell and Nelson; Kullen, Doherty, Ferguson, Erwin and Hartigan.

S. China "B": — Wong Wah-kai; Yu Hing-yuen, H. Young; Yau Wah-sing, Lim Tak-po, Lau Tin-sun; Ip Yun-po, G. Tsang, Ho Ka-keung, Cheuk Shek-kam and Yeung Shui-trick.

R.W.F.: — Rowlands; Wheeler and Keating; Wanklyn, Talbot and Ellis; Hughes, Harrison, Coakley, Evans and Roberts.

Recreio: — R. Marques; J. Bowen and A. V. Gosano, V. Marques, N. Beltrao and N. Delgado; T. Castilho, H. Campos, B. Gosano, J. Gomes and A. Alves.

St. Joseph's: — U. Souza; L. Souza and V. Costa; Woo, Sinclair and Elms; Lee, Ward, Leonard, Hussain and Fernandes.

Police: — McHardy; Blackburn and C. Pike, North, Gough and Parker; Green, Pope, Stevens, Brooks and Moss.

Kowloon: — Boyes; Eastman and Everest; Roberts, Bliss and Boyd; W. Knox, G. White, D. Knox, V. White and Honniball.

ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters:—

TO-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION
RECREIO v Navy
(King's Park, 4.30 p.m.)
KOWLOON v Athletic
(Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.)
South China "A" v Club
(Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)
ST. JOSEPH'S v Stonecutters
(Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)
Rifles v POLICE
(Prince Edward Road, 4.30 p.m.)
FUSILIERS v South China "B"
(Sookunpoo, 4.30 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION
KOWLOON v South China
(Prince Edward Road, 3.00 p.m.)
Engineers v EAST LANCS.
(Chatham Road, 3.00 p.m.)
ATHLETIC v Recreio
(Caroline Hill, 3.00 p.m.)
Fusiliers v Navy
(Sookunpoo, 3.00 p.m.)
Eastern v Radio
(King's Park, 3.00 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION
LIGA PTG'SA
(Railway, 3.00 p.m.)
ST. JOSEPH'S
(Railway, 4.30 p.m.)

SUNDAY

LAI-WAH CUP FINAL
Navy v Chinese
(Sookunpoo, 4.00 p.m.)
THIRD DIVISION
Engineers v Fusiliers
(Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
WEDNESDAY
v European Police
(Kowloon, 3.30 p.m.)



Fus. Talbot, above, will have to be on the top of his form to-morrow when his team meets South China "B" in a match which will probably determine his runners-up in the First Division.

RECREIO SHOULD BEAT ROYAL NAVY

Sailors Fail To Find Form

PORTUGUESE FORWARDS MUST NOT HESITATE

Recreio, who narrowly lost to the League champions last week, should encounter little difficulty in collecting both the points in their First Division League soccer match to-morrow against the Navy, whom they meet at King's Park.

There is no doubt that the Recreio have a dangerous set of forwards who, once on the mark, invariably prove fatal. Last week they were very unlucky not to have forced a draw.

Alves and Gomes, on their left wing, are a dangerous pair if only they would not hesitate in or near the goal area, while the right wing is also good, but lacking in experience.

A Good Leader

B. Gosano, leading the attack, is the only experienced player they can boast of, but he manages to infuse some life into their movements.

The Navy seniors have been sadly disappointing this season, but with the arrival of the aircraft-carrier Hermes they should be able to strengthen the side.

The Portuguese team will be exactly the same as last week, and with the mistakes made and knowledge gained from that encounter, should come away with the points to-morrow.

The Naval side has not yet been selected, but will most probably include several players of the Hermes.

RAMSAY RESIGNS

James Ramsay, the former Arsenal player has resigned his position as manager of Margate F.C., the Arsenal "nursery" and for the remainder of the season Jack Lambert, the former Arsenal centre forward, will act as player-manager.

Fulham, Brentford, and Charlton Athletic will all field unchanged teams for their League football matches on Saturday.

DROWN & E. STRANGE AS WING-HALVES

T.A. PEARCE AND WILSON TO SUPPORT ELLIOTT

CHINESE AT FULL STRENGTH

(By "Rover")

THOUSANDS of football supporters are looking forward to to-morrow's epic return First Division clash between South China "A," the League champions, and the Club, which will take place at Caroline Hill, commencing at 4.30 p.m., and both Clubs are fielding their best available talent.

South China "A" intend playing their full complement with Lee Wai-tong leading the line and supported on the right flank by Tso Kwai-shing and Fung King-cheong, and on the left by Ip Pak-wa and Tay Quee-liang.

The usual South China "A" intermediate line, comprising Leung Wing-chiu, Wong Mee-shun and Lee Kwok-wai, will be in support, backed up by Lee Tin-sang and Lau Mau, while Wong Wing will be between the sticks.

The Club have made several startling changes, the results of which will be eagerly looked forward to. Drown and Ernie Strange have been included in the intermediate line as the right and left-halves, in place of Robertson, who is playing Rugby, and Skinner, who is on the injured list.

The Club attack will be an entirely new one with Fowler on the right wing supported by T. A. Pearce, Elliott is again leader, and Wilson remains at inside-left in support of Bickford. This should be the most dangerous wing-on display.

In their first encounter South China "A" won by the odd goal in three after a terrific struggle on the Club ground, and the Europeans hope to turn the tables on their rivals to-morrow.

E. Strange's Test

How Ernie Strange will shape as a wing-half remains to be seen, and his retention in the team will largely depend on his display against the fast South China right-wing combine of Tso Kwai-shing and Fung King-cheong.

Drown has played as a half-back before and the task before him is no new one, although he will have to be at his best to prevent any breakaway by the fast and extremely clever South China left-wing of Ip Pak-wa and Tay Quee-liang.

SAINTS TO FIELD THEIR BEST

Stonecutters May Win Again

V. COSTA RETURNS AFTER INJURY

Bearing in mind their unexpected defeat in their first encounter with Stonecutters in the Senior Division earlier in the season, St. Joseph's are fielding their best team to-morrow, and on the form they displayed in the last few games, should collect both points.

Costa, who was an absentee last week owing to a strained muscle, returns to the team, while "Darchie" Lee will play on the right-wing in place of Victor.

Hussain As Pivot

Hussain will be at inside-left, but he may later change place with Sinclair, whose ankle has been giving him trouble recently.

The brunt of the work in the Gunners' defence will be borne by Hall, in goal, and Lewis and Oliver the backs. The intermediate line have not been playing well so far, while in the forward line Hosack can make the best of any changes given him.



Singleton, above, the Fusilier Third Division forward, has been displaced as leader in the goal-scoring list of the three Divisions by Spencer, of the Navy.

"OLD CROCKS" SOCCER FOR CLUB JUBILEE

Next Month's "Classic" Encounter

YOUNGSTERS WILL HAVE TO FIELD USEFUL SIDE

Preparations for the Golden Jubilee of the Hong Kong Football Club, which actually took place last month, but which is being celebrated next month, are fast taking shape and the "Old Cocks" side of soccer players to meet a combined senior and junior side in a 10 minutes each way match has already been selected.

George Rodger, the Club and Colony's finest custodian, will be between the sticks, while H. G. Wallington and C. W. E. Bishop, the former Interport player, will be in front of him.

The halves will comprise A. H. McBride on the right, who is better recalled as a forward, J. M. Macfarlane, who has just returned from leave, and Stan Hill, a former full-back.

The Forwards

The forwards are fairly good, several of them being very well-known. W. L. Alexander, a former star right-winger, will fill that berth, while Bertie Bell will be his partner. L. Goldman, the former Shanghai and Colony Interport centre-forward, who will lead the attack, will be supported on the left by S. D. Begg, another Interport star, while Jack Rodger, probably the Club's finest half back, will be on the left wing!

It will be seen from the above that the "youngsters" will have to produce a useful side to beat the above, and the encounter is being eagerly looked forward to by many young and old residents of the Colony.

Spencer Heads League Marksmen

The following is a complete list of goal-scorers in the First, Second and Third Divisions of the local Soccer League with a qualifying figure of six goals:

FIRST DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION	
Johnson (Police)	18	Singleton (Fusiliers)	15
Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A")	16	C. Santos (Liga)	14
Higgins (Lincolns)	14	Bowker (East Lincs.)	13
Elliot (Club)	14	Pym (Medicals)	12
G. White (Kowloon)	14	Tatler (Fusiliers)	11
Sandford (East Lincs.)	14	Crooks (East Lincs.)	10
Moss (Police)	14	Willerton (European Police)	10
Stevens (Police)	14	Joanillo (St. Joseph's)	10
Leonard (St. Joseph's)	14	Taylor (East Lincs.)	10
D. Knox (Kowloon)	14	Smith (Air Force)	9
Sullivan (Fusiliers)	14	Rush (Lincolns)	8
Fung King-cheong (S. China "A")	14	H. Souza (Liga)	8
Ip Pak-wa (S. China "A")	14	Murray (Air Force)	8
Cannell (Navy)	14	Chan Wing-kam (Chinese Police)	8
Beldry (Lincolns)	14	Parker (Engineers)	8
Evans (Fusiliers)	14	Gregory (Air Force)	8
Yeung Kam-po (Athletic)	14	Kong Hing (Chinese Police)	7
Reece (Gyeeann)	14	Yau (Medicals)	7
Farrow (Club)	14	Beale (Engineers)	7

NOVELTY RECORDS

BC 10001.—Everything's In Rhythm The Little Silk Worm.....	Jessie Matthews Jessie Matthews
BC 10012.—Isn't This A Lovely Day No Springs.....	Ginger Rogers Ginger Rogers
BC 10023.—Leave Me With A Love Song Red Sails In The Sunset.....	Street Singer Street Singer
5589.—Piano Medley No. 8.....	Charlie Kunz Charlie Kunz
5468.—Sandy's Broadcasting Station.....	Sandy Powell Sandy Powell
BC 10011.—Whoa Josephine There's No One With Endurance.....	Frank Crumit Frank Crumit
BC 10008.—Conversation For Two Star Gazing.....	Elsie Carlisle Elsie Carlisle
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GOLF STARTING TIMES

Sunday's Pairings At Fanling

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling next Sunday.

OLD COURSE	
9.20 a.m.	P.W.D., J. D. Hutchison & Co.
9.24	E. des Voeux, R. A. Rodgers.
9.28	T. C. Monaghan, Col. Matthews.
9.32	G. S. Chambers, F. H. King.
9.36	J. S. Dunnett, F. C. B. Black.
9.40	W. L. Alexander, W. M. Barton.
9.44	E. M. Bryden, H. H. Mundy.
9.48	K. S. Robertson, R. K. Collings.
9.52	A. B. Reynolds, R. A. McKenry.
9.56	A. B. Purves, I. H. Geare.
10.00	E. W. Kirk, A. McKellar.
10.04	R. D. Walker, E. Taylor.
10.08	S. A. Sleep, J. W. Alabaster.
10.12	K. K. Rounds, B. Young.
10.16	W. J. Lawrie, N. P. Fox.
10.20	L. J. Keogh, T. L. L. L. L.
10.24	J. S. Dykes, F. M. Ellis.
10.28	J. B. Mackie, D. L. Prophet.
10.32	Col. Blake, A. T. Lay.
10.36	H. C. Hopkins, S. S. Perry.
10.40	J. G. Charlton, J. Angwin.
10.44	T. J. Price, J. Forbes.
10.48	G. Marselle, A. C. I. Bowker.
10.52	J. McKnight, A. C. Godby.
10.56	J. G. Cotesworth, T. R. Chasels.
11.00	D. Hope Gill, K. W. Jones.
11.04	L. W. Shewan, Comdr. Barry.
11.08	Wing Cdr. Bishop, Comdr. Hole.
11.12	Lt. Cdr. Clarke, Pay. Lt. Cdr. Haines.
11.16	Pay. Lt. Morant, Surg. Lt. Cdr. McKie.
NEW COURSE	
9.28 a.m.	N. K. Littlejohn, J. Daigano.
9.36	Mrs. Mackie, Miss Knill.

MALAYAN BADMINTON ACE BEATEN IN LONDON

London, To-day. — In the semi-final round of the All-England badminton championship yesterday...

NEW RECORD AT ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL SPORTS

HORTON SMITH SHOWS RETURN TO GOOD FORM

Three Big Wins In A Month

WILL HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF?

(By "FAIR FIELD")

London, January 23. Since my recent reference to the return to form of that romantic figure of the golf links, Horton Smith, further success has come his way.

In a month he has won three of the biggest tournaments of the American winter circuit, and his share of the spoils is \$1,000.

Golfers are wondering whether Horton Smith is about to repeat that record-breaking campaign of seven years ago, when, in American phraseology, he "burned up" course after course and pocketed more than \$5,000—not an insignificant sum for a youth of 20.

Started As A Caddie

Horton Smith started life as a farmer's boy at Joplin, Missouri, and at 16 he was a caddie. When he dropped from the clouds on an astonished world, Hagen immediately dubbed him the "Joplin Ghost."

In a few years Horton Smith, a shrewd business man, has earned a small fortune, and, unlike many golfers, has saved most of it.

Jim Barnes, the giant Cornishman, who won the U. S. Championship in 1921, made a big fortune on Wall Street only to see it swept away in the financial crash.

For years Walter Hagen's income has been \$10,000 per annum, and sometimes more, but he spends it just as it comes. He will always be known as golf's "prince of spender."

LADIES' GOLF

Mrs. Roberts Wins Captain's Cup

COMING PROGRAMME

In the Captain's Cup Competition of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Ladies' Section over the New Course at Fanling, Mrs. Roberts with a score of 102—31—71 qualified.

Owing to bad weather there were no entries in either the Silver or Bronze Divisions of the L.G.U. Medal Competitions from February 11 to February 25.

Spring Meeting

Arrangements for the Spring Meeting and Prize-Giving at Fanling on March 16, 17 and 19 are as follows:—

Monday, March 16

Bogey, New Course, Cards to be returned by 5.15 p.m.

Driving and Approaching. — 11 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.; 4 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

Putting. — (Pool) 20 cents per card, running four days 16th to 19th.

Tuesday, March 17

L.G.U. Medals. — Cards to be returned by 5 p.m., Silver Division, Old Course, Handicap and Scratch Prizes. Bronze Division, New Course, Handicap and Scratch Prizes.

Thursday, March 19

Tombstone Competition, New Course. — Cards to be returned by 3.45 p.m. Prize presented by Mrs. C. H. Burton.

Tea about 3.45 p.m. Group photograph about 4.10 p.m.

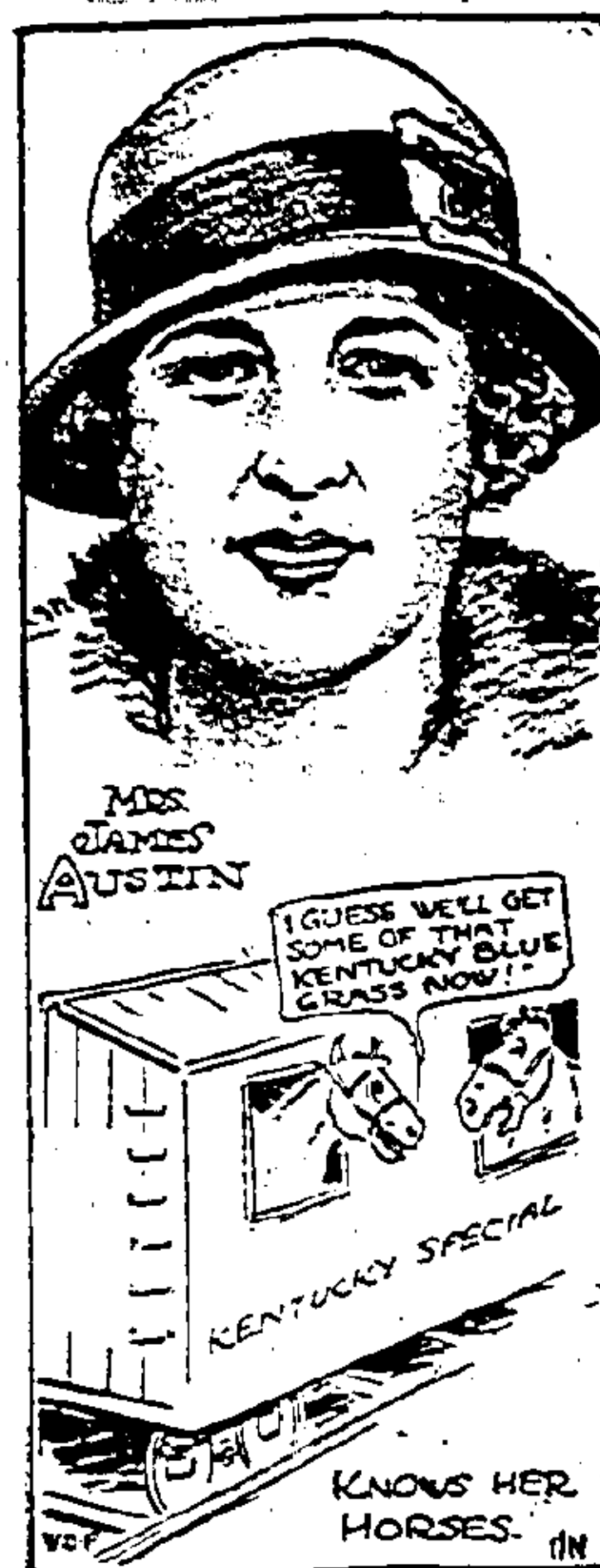
Presentation Of Prizes

The Captain, Mrs. A. K. MacKenzie, has kindly consented to make the presentation of Cups and Prizes, which will take place after the photograph.

Starting Times may be booked at Fanling each day.

WELSH RUGBY FIFTEEN

London, To-day. — The Welsh Rugby team to meet Ireland at Cardiff to-morrow week will be identical to that which beat Scotland by 13 points to 3 at Murrayfield on February 1, with the exception of McCally, the left-wing three-quarter, whose position has been left open. — Reuter.



Mrs. James M. Austin is the woman who pioneered the raising of thoroughbred horses on Long Island and established her famous Catwaba Farms to prove her theory. After spending lavish sums and years of effort, she has finally decided that Kentucky is better for breeding and is moving her entire stock to the Blue Grass country.

NORTHERN RIDERS LEAVE TO-DAY

Messrs. Needa And Marshall

MR. SASSOON ALSO BOUND FOR SHANGHAI

Mr. D. E. Sassoon, owner of Honeymoon Eve, 1936 Derby winner, and Holiday Eve, winner of the Sydney Maidens, is leaving for Shanghai to-day by the R.M.S. Empress of Japan.

Travelling by the same vessel will be Mr. V. V. Needa, who rode the Derby winner and Holiday Eve, and Mr. F. "Pea-nut" Marshall, first string rider for the Dynasty stable.

Mr. C. Encarnacao, who rode for Mr. Eu Tong-sen at the Annual Meeting, left last Wednesday by the m.v. Asama Maru, while Mr. J. Pote-Hunt, Mr. Li Po Chun's jockey, left on February 28, leaving only Messrs. D. S. Li and T. L. Wong of the Northern contingent in the Colony.

Entries Announced For First Extra Race Meeting

The following are the entries for the First Extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, March 14:—

1.—THE "HAY AND CORN STAKES." Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Subscription of this Club of any Season that have started at least twice since 21st February, 1936, and have not won: Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. FIVE FURLONGS.

Belmont Star (158), Cavaleade (155), Copper Idol (155), Double Chance (161), Emergency Call (158), Gold Ficker (158), Heriot (161), Lancashire Loom (152), Ocean View (152), Partnership (152), Philanderer (158), Racing Boy (155), Seventeenth of September (152), Valley View (155), Wadebridge (161), and Warrington (152).

2.—THE "LOTTERERS" STAKES. — Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins of this Club of this Season that have started at least twice. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. ONE MILE.

Baltos, Blue Ribbon, Cassius, Celebration Time, Fidelity, Gold Sovereign, Hawthorn, Hopscotch, Ideal Day, Judea, Lancashire Loom, Merry Jester, Peter Darcy, Public Hero No. 1, Rose Evelyn, Rugby Star, Satan, Shamrock, Stopwatch, Strathalan, Supercharge, The Hero, Unicorn, and Wild Cat.

6. and 8. —THE "HONG KONG HANDICAP." — "A" and "B" Division. — Winner \$600. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies that have started at least twice since 21st February, 1936. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. ONE AND A QUARTER MILES.

Bistre, Bright View, Cyclamen Bay, Gladiator, Gold Coin, Harvest View, Herod, King's Jubilee, King's Justice, King's Lead, King's Sceptre, King's Warden, Lockley Hall, Macaroni, Mayflower, Night View, Portia Bay, Ribble, Rose-Queen, Sadko, Silver Smith, Soldier of China, Soldier of Peace, Soldier of Germany, The Tiger, Victoria Hall, and What A Chance.

9. —THE "MOONIE PONDS HANDICAP." — Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For Australian Ponies of any Season that have started since 21st February, 1936, and have not won. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. ONE MILE.

Derby Day, Goldsmith, Halcyon, Night Star, Racing Heart, Rose Ann, Sassy Face, and Snowy River.

INTENSE COLD AND HEAVY TRACK

LEE POON YEE ANNEXES CHAMPIONSHIP

LA SALLE RELAY TRIUMPH

DUE to a heavy track at the South China Athletic Association's ground and the intense cold experienced yesterday, athletes from St. Paul's College only managed to break the Shot Putt record at their annual athletic meeting held at Caroline Hill.

In recording a distance of 30 feet 5 inches, Kan Man-chuen bettered last year's mark by Lau Ping-pui by 2½ inches.

The most interesting event was the Invitation Relay, which was won by the representatives of La Salle College. St. Joseph's members took the lead from the start of the race with La Salle quite a distance behind. But just about 10 yards away from the tape, William Gottsche, La Salle's champion, forged ahead to win comfortably.

LAI WAH CUP FINAL

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have been making a name for themselves by compiling the huge goal-averages of 100 goals for and 22 against!

The Chinese side will comprise South China "A" team which meets the Club to-morrow in the First Division, with the exception of Mak Shu-hon, who will replace Lau Mau at left-back.

Tsui Ah-fai May Play There is a faint possibility that Tsui Ah-fai, the former Athletic pivot, who has been prevented from playing recently owing to duty in the Canton Air Force, will make the trip, in which case he will replace Wong Mee-shun in the pivotal berth.

There is no doubt that the Chinese should win, but the Nanyang will be all out to win the Lai Wah Cup for the first time.

IMPORTANT SENIOR LEAGUE SOCCER CLASH

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and Ellis should be able to prevent the Chinese from breaking through.

In the forward line Coakley and Evans are both dangerous and should be a source of worry to the Chinese defence. Hughes and Roberts, on form, are two good wingers, while Harrison's goal-head methods are not wholly appreciated by the Chinese defenders.



Top honours on the All-America track and field team of 1935, picked by Daniel J. Ferris, Amateur Athletic Union executive, to Jesse Owens, the coloured Ohio State flash, who, paradoxically, gets the position for superiority in three achievements in which he did not win outdoor national championships: the 200 metres flat, 200 metres low hurdles and the running broad jump.

S. AND S. HOME BEATEN

Comfortable Win For St. Andrew's "A"

BADMINTON LEAGUE

The Sailors' and Soldiers' Home were defeated by 6 games to 3 by St. Andrew's "A" in the Men's Doubles Badminton League last night at Wanchai.

Three brothers, R. H. F. V., and C. E. Wong played for St. Andrew's.

Scores:—
A. R. Brown and W. Brown (S. and S. Home):
lost to H. Kew and E. H. Wong 3-21
lost to E. F. Fincher and C. E. Wong 7-21
lost to F. A. Broadbridge and F. V. Wong 6-21
C. H. Hall and Yang Chan (S. and S. Home):
lost to Kew and Wong 7-21
lost to Fincher and Wong 21-15
lost to Broadbridge and Wong 21-13

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

Eliot Hall "A"	P. W. L. F. A. P. T. C. E. C.
Recreio "A"	12 12 0 85 5 24
Eliot Hall "B"	15 11 0 86 13 22
Recreio "B"	15 11 4 89 37 22
St. John's	15 7 8 65 70 14
Fire Brigade	15 7 8 54 78 14
V. R. C.	15 3 12 38 88 6
Kowloon Tong	15 2 13 42 93 4
St. Andrew's "B"	16 2 14 30 87 4
S. and S. Home	16 1 14 25 100 2

POLICE WITHOUT JOHNSON

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Johnson Injured Johnson, the Police leader, is on the injured list and his vacancy is being filled by Pope, who will play at inside-right and who made a good impression in his debut match in the Colony last Saturday against the Liga Portuguesa.

Fast off the mark, Pope should make a good inside-forward and with Green, who plays his type of soccer, supporting him on the flank, this wing should provide most of the danger.

Stevens will lead the attack and must be watched at all costs. Campbell, to whom this task will be assigned, will have to be on his fettle to prevent this bustling forward breaking through to score.

DROWN AND E. STRANGE AS WING-HALVES

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Forrow's Task Providing Forrow can hold Lee Wal-long in check, which is very doubtful, the Club stand an excellent opportunity of winning, or at least sharing the spoils, but much also will depend upon the halves and the inside-forwards, who will have to fall back and play to the "W" plan.

The Chinese team has suffered two reverses to date and, in spite of their confidence, the outlook for to-morrow is not exactly rosy.

LOCAL CRICKET

Kowloon Teams For To-morrow

The Kowloon Cricket Club's senior team to meet the Civil Service C.C. at Happy Valley to-morrow afternoon in a friendly cricket match will be as follows:—
F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, A. T. Lay, N. A. E. Mackay, F. S. W. Smith, E. Lee, F. Zimmern, A. W. Ramsay, S. V. Gittins and W. C. Hung.

Junior Fixture

In the Junior Division of the League, the Kowloon C.C. seconds will entertain the E.A.M.C. and will be represented by the following:—
H. Overy, G. Lee, F. E. Lawrence, F. A. Broadbridge, W. L. Mackenzie, B. D. Lay, E. T. Quinnell, C. F. Waplington, G. A. V. Hall, V. Darling and A. N. Other.

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London, To-day. — Tapinois has been scratched from the Grand National. — Reuter.

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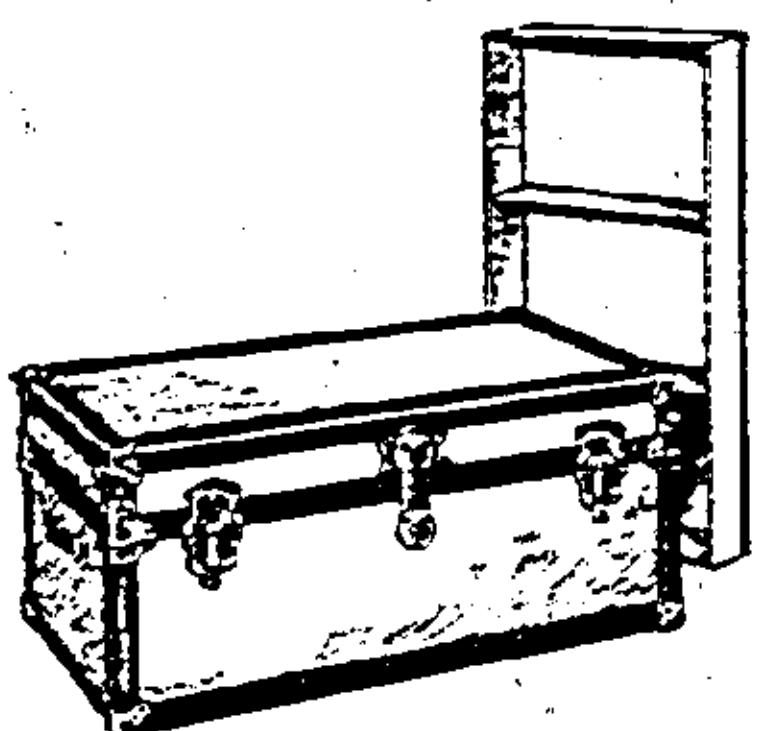
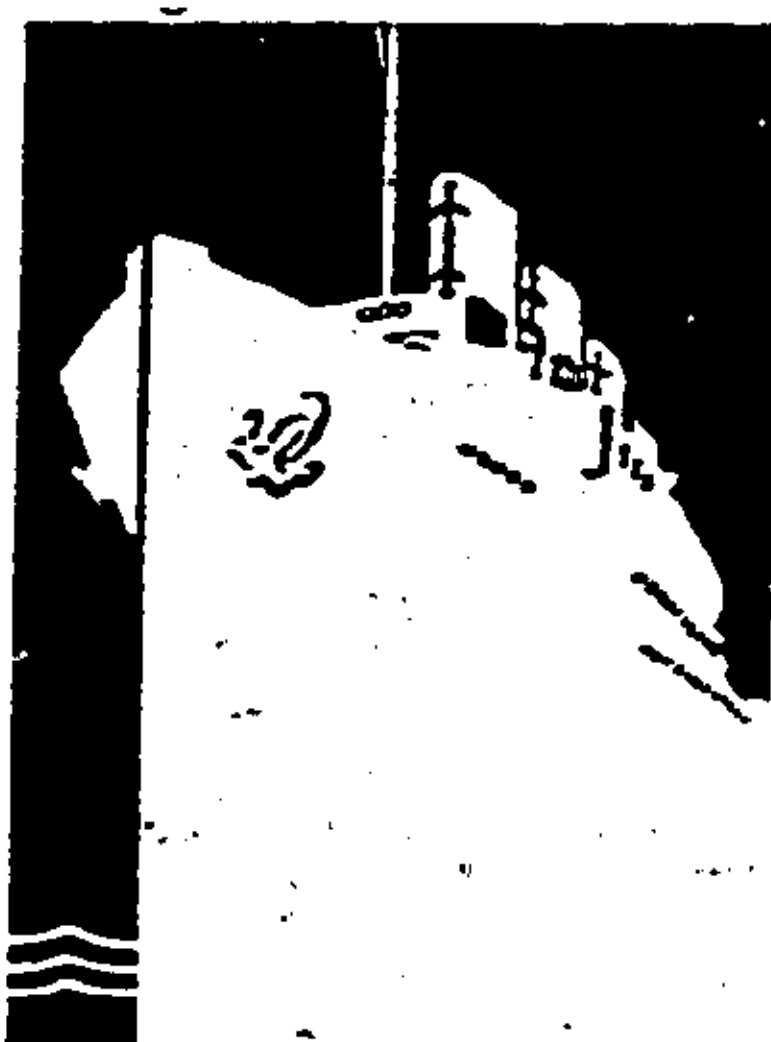
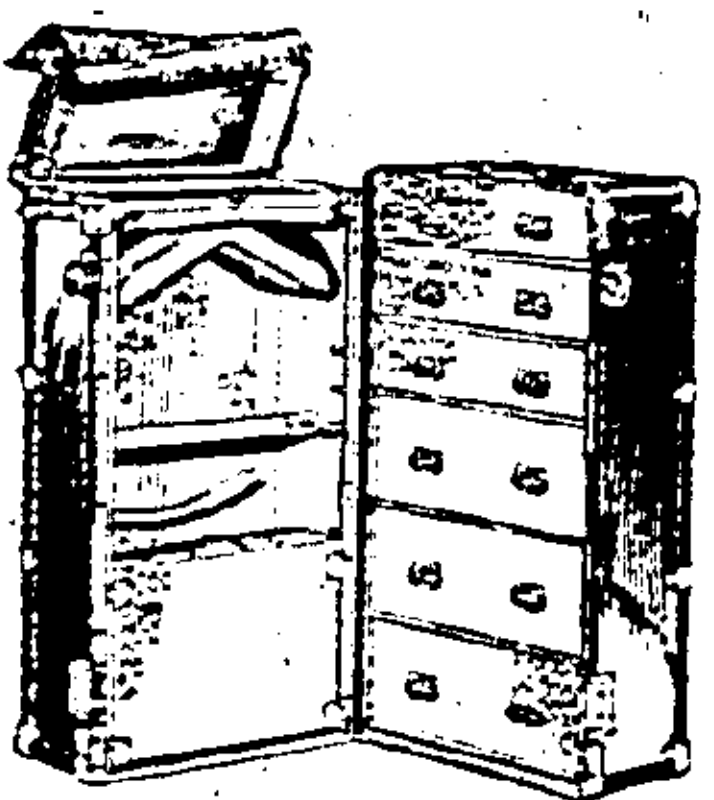


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Good Omens For The India Reforms

A short discussion in the House of Commons early last month served as a reminder that, in some of its aspects, the India question has been left as a legacy from the old Parliament to the new. Any bitterness as between various sections has disappeared. The undertaking given by the opponents of the India Bill, that once it was passed they would do their best to promote its working, was scrupulously observed. The one note of opposition came from a Communist member, whose speech betrayed a complete lack of knowledge of the humane record of the Indian Civil Service in dealing with the aborigines scattered about India. What the two Houses of Parliament are now asked to approve is the machinery by which the new provinces of Sind and Orissa will be given a provisional form of government, lasting until they are ready for autonomous administration, and to add certain areas in the country to those which will be excluded from self-government. These districts, the homes of tribes who are the descendants of the oldest inhabitants of India, have always been subject to a special form of protective supervision. Their interests will be as carefully guarded under the new Constitution as they have been under purely British rule.

Although the India Act was passed as one measure, the changes that it makes in the forms of government are subject to Orders in Council. Considerable time must elapse before the whole structure is crowned by federalism. Commissioners are working in India to determine the boundaries of new provinces and of constituent units, and to ascertain the financial capacity of the country for the additional charges that a larger measure of self-government will impose. A special Tariff Board is sitting to consider to what extent the protection of legitimate Indian industry can be made compatible with generous treatment of British trade. The Reserve Bank, which removes the control of currency from political influences, is working successfully. Indian belief in the credit of the country is shown by the premium at which the Bank shares stand. Under the inspiration of the Viceroy, Lord Willingdon, the whole of the Government machinery is being used with the will to ensure that if there is any failure in the new Constitution the defect will not be a lack of spade-work or of goodwill on the part of those surrendering power.

Smooth administration in the future will depend upon the response from India. Indian political parties have not shown the readiness to submerge their differences that has been manifested in Great Britain, but the improvement in the political atmosphere is marked. The Liberal Hindus are everywhere gaining in strength, while Congress, in coming to the inevitable decision to enter the legislatures, has been weakened by internal dissension and the withdrawal of Mr. Gandhi from political leadership. The Mahomedans are organising themselves as never before, and their adherence will probably compel all other sections to play their part. More will hang upon the economic recovery of India than upon political considerations, for discontent in India is largely the consequence

SANCTIONS ARE NOT SIMPLE

SOME CONFUSING FACTORS

(By HEBE SPAULI)

We are apt to think that the application of sanctions is a simple, straightforward process. Lemons grow in Italy. Very well; we will not buy any lemons of Italy so long as the war continues. But by no means all Italian exports can be disposed of as simply as is the case with lemons. In the case of manufactured goods, for instance, numerous processes involving the use of goods from different countries may be necessitated before they are ready for sale to the public. It is in such cases that it may be difficult to declare the origin of the article in question.

As regards the application of sanctions, it would be fairly simple if all countries were rigidly applying sanctions. Actually, of course Austria, Hungary and Albania are not sanctionist countries. Italian goods can therefore be freely exported to them.

Of Italian Origin

Whilst the bordering sanctionist countries can safeguard themselves against the reception of goods which are pretty clearly of Italian origin it is more difficult in the case of goods which have been subjected to fresh processes in the non-sanctionist countries. It was, in fact, agreed by the League of Nations that if 25 per cent. of the value of the finished goods were of non-Italian origin the sanctionist countries might import them. The committee of experts appointed by the League to follow the application of sanctions, which met in secret in Geneva recently, has been at grips with this problem and it is believed that the Co-ordination Committee may decide, in view of their report, to raise the percentage to 50 per cent. or even possibly to 75 per cent.

PENCIL KING IN COLONY

ON TOUR OF THE FAR EAST

An interesting arrival in the Colony this morning, by the s.s. President Jefferson, was Mr. Andrew J. Okis, otherwise known as the "Pencil King," who is the manager of the Export Department of the American Lead Pencil Co.

Mr. Okis, interviewed by the China Mail in his room at the Gloucester Hotel, said that he was on a business-pleasure trip to the Far East. He had just come from Shanghai, where he said he had had a very successful stay. Mr. Okis has brought with him a comprehensive array of the pencils turned out by his Company.

Mr. Okis will be staying here till the 12th inst., when he will leave for Manila, prior to proceeding back to his headquarters in New York.

FAREWELL TO ITALIAN CONSUL-GENERAL

The Italian community in Hong Kong will give on Sunday next a farewell party in honour of the departing Consul-General, Mr. A. Bianconi. The dinner will take place in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel at 8.15 p.m.

The many friends of Mr. T. S. Herriott, formerly of the Lincolnshire Regiment and latterly a member of the China Mail staff, will be pleased to hear that he was married to Miss Stella Footitt of Market Rasen, Lincolnshire, on January 23 last. Mr. and Mrs. Herriott will make their new home at Tattershall.

of a fall in prices that has halved the income of the ryot and limited the opportunities for employment of the educated classes. Helped by the use of the vast hoards of gold in the country, India has escaped the worst effects of the world-depression, and has maintained her credit at a high level. Her trade is improving. Any further advance in prosperity would set the barometer fair for the biggest political experiment in British history.

Here There and Everywhere.

DUCE'S INCOMPLETE "CAESAR"

Dr. Roebbeling, the director of the State-owned Burgtheater in Vienna, was constrained recently to listen to the eulogy, by an actor who had just been touring Italy, of the Caesarean activities of the Duce.

"Quite! Quite!" he replied. "I appreciate all that fully, but I could have wished that Signor Mussolini had first finished his promised play on Caesar. I have been waiting for it for two years."

This play, which the Duce started after the big Continental success of his Napoleon play, "The Hundred Days," is still awaiting completion.

The world premiere—to take place in the Burgtheater, with Herr Werner Krauss (whose Napoleon much impressed the Duce) as Caesar—is long overdue.

In Vienna it is said that Signor Mussolini is waiting until he can obtain first-hand knowledge of the sensations of a victorious Caesar; and that the Italian Budget will be balanced with the royalties.

SINO-JAPANESE ENTENTE

In North China the presence of Japan makes for a delicate situation. In London the presence last month of a Japanese lecturer at the Chinese Art Exhibition was received with much enthusiasm.

He was Prof. Yukio Yashiro, lecturing on Chinese painting, and was sent from Nippon, appropriately enough, by the Society for International Cultural Relations of Japan.

He returns immediately to Tokyo, where he is Director of the Institute of Art Research.

Your Daily Smile!

"My husband and I exchange about six words at breakfast every morning," remarked a woman in court. Lots of men, of course, are dead against such chattiness at the breakfast table.

"Jessie, I have told you again and again not to speak when older persons are talking, but wait until they stop."

"I've tried that, Mummy, but they never do stop."

Visitor: "Well, Johnny, how are you getting on at school?" Johnny (aged 7): "Fine! I ain't doing as well as some of the other boys, though. I can stand on my head but I have to put my feet against the wall."

NAVY'S ESSENTIAL DUTIES

WHERE FLEETS COULD NOT BE SUPERSEDED

SOME LIMITATIONS OF AIRCRAFT ATTACKS ON SHIPS

(By Hector C. Bywater)

HOW are warships likely to fare under attack by aircraft? Consideration of this question will influence our judgment upon the respective claims of Navy and Air Force to an increased share in the nation's outlay on defence.

With it I will examine the probable influence of the air menace on naval strategy.

There is no doubt that in any future naval campaign ships will be liable to attack by bombers and torpedo-planes.

The heaviest bombs now in use (2,000 lbs.), which are too cumbersome for practical use at any reasonable range, are lighter than the projectile from a 16 in. gun. Nevertheless a direct hit from such a bomb dropped from a great altitude might cause fatal injury even to a battleship, though it would be no more dangerous than a plunging blow from a 16 in. shell.

The Real Danger

Bombs released from low-diving aircraft strike the deck of a ship at a velocity considerably lower than that of a shell. Their penetrative power is consequently much inferior to that of shells of corresponding weight, and it follows that armour capable of keeping out shells would be an even more effective defence against bombs.

It is probably a safe assumption that our older battleships could be crippled, if not summarily destroyed, by very heavy bombs dropped from a great height. They are, however, equally liable to destruction by salvos of heavy-calibre shell; and whereas the accuracy of bomb practice at, say, 10,000 ft. is problematic, the precision of heavy naval guns, even at very long range, has been fully demonstrated in actual warfare.

The real danger, as naval men see it, comes from medium-weight, high-explosive or chemical bombs, rained down by low-diving aircraft. This form of attack, while not likely to damage the vitals of the ship, might well put out of action all the control positions above deck and the entire anti-aircraft arma-

ment, leaving the ship an easy prey to further assault, whether by aircraft or destroyers.

Deck Protection

Obviously, therefore, the air menace calls for radical changes in man-of-war design. Deck armour must be strengthened and extended; bridges, control position, anti-aircraft batteries, radio and signalling posts must all be made bomb and gas proof. In fact, future battleships and cruisers and the entire upper deck lay-out of the whole system of horizontal armour defence will have to be re-designed on new principles.

Technically this is quite feasible, and will involve changes far less revolutionary than were made when, in consequence of the danger from shells, our old fleet of "wooden walls" had to be rebuilt on an ironclad basis.

In design and appearance the battleships of to-morrow may differ from those of to-day almost as strikingly as the mastless ironclads of the 'seventies differed from the full-rigged three-deckers of the Crimean War.

Designers Confident

Admiralty designers are confident of their ability to construct battleships and cruisers capable of surviving the most determined attack by air bombers. As for torpedoes launched from aircraft, these are no more and no less to be feared than torpedoes discharged by submarines or destroyers, a menace which has been largely countered by "bulges" and extended sub-division of the warship's hull.

In short, when the public is told that "aircraft can sink the mightiest battleship afloat," it should remember that this might be said with equal, if not greater, truth of the big naval gun, the torpedo, or the submarine mine—weapons against which it is the naval constructor's business to provide special defence.

Moreover, the British Fleet of to-day is largely composed of obsolete vessels which were built be-

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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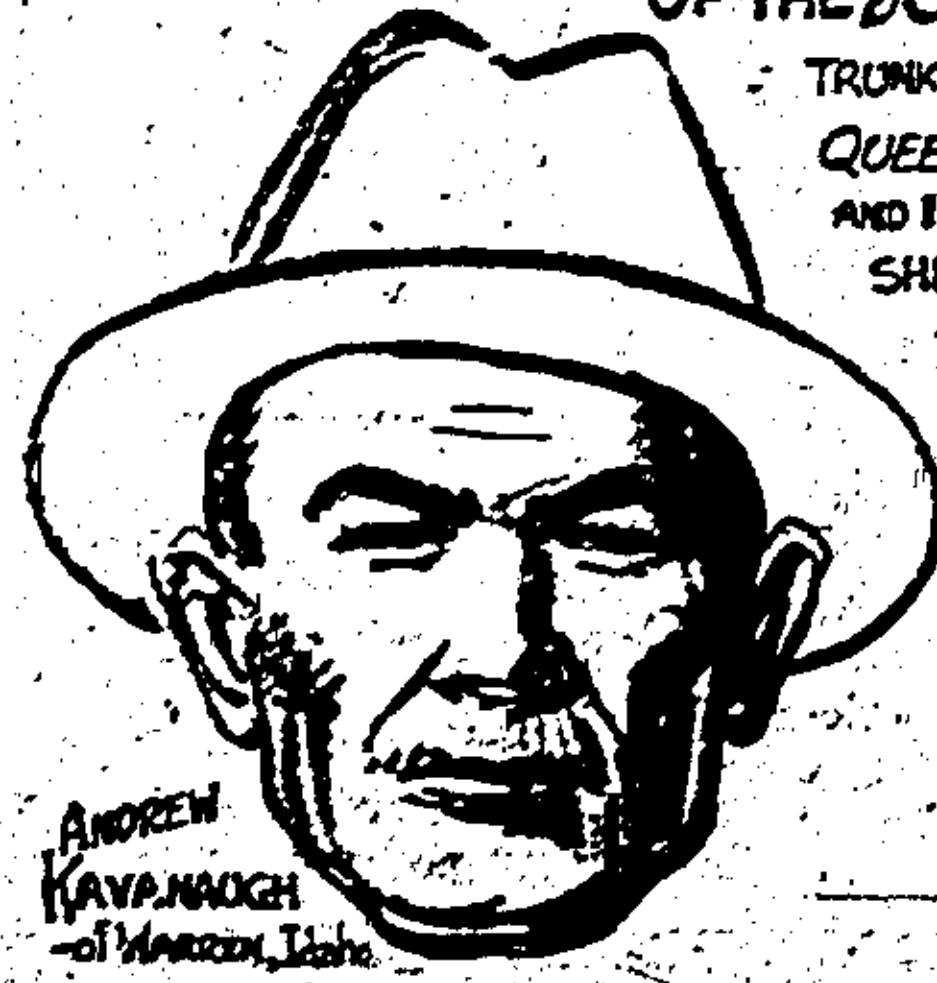
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QUEEN'S

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**"MILLIONS
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FROM SUNDAY

MORE FUN THAN
IN "BRIGHT LIGHTS"

JOE E. BROWN'S

latest

"ALIBI IKE"A Roaring Baseball Comedy
with
OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND

Short Shots

"The Miracle Child"—Shirley Temple is so valuable to the Twentieth-Century Fox studio that they have insured her life for TWO million dollars, which is divided among four insurance companies. This once more proves that the adorable child is the world's best box-office bet.

It appears that the romance between pretty Irene Hervey and Robert Taylor has finished. The young man receives so much "Fan Mail" these days that the studio and Mr. Bob consider it wiser not to marry yet awhile.

Norbert Lusk, famous cinema critic and Editor of the popular magazine "Picture Play," goes into ecstasies about Shirley Temple in a recent write-up, and another star who meets with his decided approval is Joan Crawford. Mr. Lusk writes to me that Ronald Colman has never done greater work than in "Tale of Two Cities."

Ginger Rogers and husband Lew Ayres have moved from their lovely home in the fashionable and most expensive quarter known as Beverly Hills, and are now in a hill-side mansion, which, Ginger says is much cheaper to run.

The honeymoon house George Barnes fixed up so lovingly for wife Jean Blondell has now been sold—at a considerable loss. Joan and baby "Norman Scott Barnes" seem contented with things as they are, especially as Mr. Dick Powell is so attentive these days.

Jean Hersholt and Dorothy Peterson are back from Canada, where they appeared as Dr. Dafoe and the "Nurse," acting many scenes with the most famous babies in the world "The Quintuplets." The picture when finally shown is likely to be the greatest money-maker yet filmed, and Darryl Zanuck is lucky that he is the one privileged to show these amazing babies to the world in a romance of their so-far short lives.



The late Will Rogers is in "Steamboat Round The Bend," which will be shown at the King's Theatre soon. This is the last picture Will Rogers made.



Edward Everett Horton is starred in "Your Uncle Dudley," which will be shown at the King's Theatre soon.

RONALD COLMAN DELIGHTS IN SPARKLING COMEDY

**JAMES CAGNEY AND PAT O'BRIEN
IN "THE IRISH IN US"**

**NEW VERSION OF "SEVEN KEYS TO BALDPATE"
BRINGS MANY THRILLS**

WE are happy to see you back again, Monsieur Gallard. The welcome given to the hero of this amiable little comedy, "The Man who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo," by the croupier in the Salon at Monte Carlo is heartily endorsed by us all. Ronald Colman—gallant Britisher, who has been a star for over thirteen years, and is probably the most consistently popular actor the screen has known—the "Roguish Prince Charming" is still winning all hearts. It does not matter if the play be frothy, like "Devil to Pay," or intensely dramatic as "Cynara" and "Arrowsmith." Mr. Colman always turns in a perfect performance.

I cannot remember a time from the early days of the movies with lovely Vilma Banky (who of us will ever forget "Dark Angel" and many more?) that I have not been enraptured with the artistic and capable work of an actor who knows the screen from every angle. It was, in I think, 1920 that Ronald Colman, after serving his country through the Great War, found the unemployment problem a mighty big question and sailed for the States. A tour in "East is West" followed, and he found himself in Hollywood. Sad to relate, no one appreciated him, and he returned to look for more work on the stage. It was, so he says, his resemblance to an Italian that made Director Henry King and Lillian Gish engage him for the hero's role in "The White Sister." From then on, the cinema-goers become "Colman-conscious," and they have been that way ever since.

In this mild stellar vehicle Mr. Colman is an impoverished Russian nobleman, who cleans out the cash boxes at the gambling Casino; and the Director is so afraid he may do it again that he engages pretty Joan Bennett to keep him away. He plays again, loses everything and is forced to become a taxi-driver. The plot is thin, but the undeniable charm of the star makes it worth while, and even if we can't rank it among his great contributions to the screen, but look upon it as a light-hearted holiday for our Mr. Colman, we shall undoubtedly enjoy the romantic comedy. He deserves some easy going after the heavy work in "Tale of Two Cities," which I hear is the greatest acting of his career.

Miss Joan Bennett, who has gone far since her first talkie with Mr. Colman, "Bull-dog Drummond," is more beautiful than ever and gives one of her sprightliest performances. Colin Clive as her brother, Nigel Bruce as Colman's valet, Frank Reicher, Montague Love, Ferdinand Gottschalk and many more in this costly Twentieth Century-Fox production, under the expert guidance of Stephen Roberts, help the easy-going Mr. Colman to make this a gay and enjoyable evening. This romantic comedy will start to-day at the King's and Alhambra.

"Millions In The Air"

Wendy Barrie (Jenkin) and John Howard (liken here in "Annapolis Farewell") are teamed together in a feather-weight comedy which, like many other films, capitalises on the amateur radio hour craze. Hero is an ice-cream salesman and heroine the daughter of the soap magnate on whose radio programme they are trying to win a prize that will set him up in business. You can guess the oft-told story from now on, but the radio hour is the highlight and we have the pleasure of hearing most of the cast burst into song—and even Grand Opera.

Willie Howard, comedian from Broadway, Catherine Doucet, Benny Baker, Inez Courtney and Dave Chasen are the main support, but the dancing of newcomer Eleanor Whitney, another of those marvellous tap dancers, is the real hit of the show. George Barbier is the same as always, but is Grade A in his own way, and the two young featured players make

By Diane

an appealing team. This picture should be a big attraction locally. (Queen's).

"My Marriage"

The splendid acting from all concerned makes this picture better than the material would warrant. Wealthy Claire Trevor is in society till her father's murder reveals him as an underworld character. Loyal lover, Kent Taylor, defies the schemes of his aristocratic mother (Pauline Frederick) by marrying and protecting Claire, who, with the aid of friendly policeman Paul Kelly, untangles several murders to clear the way to happiness. Noel Madison, Charles Richman, Beryl Mercer, Henry Kolker and others. (Alhambra).

"Alibi Ike"

A Joe E. Brown comedy with a baseball background tells how the famous comedian always has an alibi when he does something particularly good. If he makes a good shot at billiards he explains that he would have done better if he had been wearing his other pair



June Lang plays her first featured role in "Every Saturday Night," which will soon be shown at the King's Theatre.

of glasses. He continues this sort of stuff when he joins a baseball team, and this weakness lands him into trouble.

A thread of romance with Tokio-born Olivia de Havilland (seen here in "Midsummer Night's Dream") runs through, but it is assuredly a picture for the admirers of the clever comedian, and he is the whole show. (Queen's).

"Steamboat Round The Bend"

There is a great deal of pathos in seeing this film—the last but one of the late Will Rogers, the great humorist whose place can never be filled. We see the beloved Will in a dramatic laugh-laden love story of a travelling medicine-show Doctor who disentangles his nephew from serious legal complications.

The juvenile lead, John McGuire (seen here in "This is the Life"), and pretty Anne Shirley do well in the romance, but it is Will, with his own inimitable brand of humour, who shoulders the show, and makes this picture one of his most loved and successful. Coming to the King's.

"Seven Keys To Baldpate"

My memory goes back many years to Broadway and George M. Cohan in the stage version of this interesting story—which he wrote himself and in which he starred. It has been seen on the screen as a silent, also a talkie (among the first), and now again it comes with Gene Raymond as the hero, and a supporting cast that sparkles; Eric Elore, Henry Travers, Moroni Olsen, Margaret Callahan, Erin O'Brien Moore and Murray Alper.

Although millions must have seen this, as play and film, it is still thrilling; and now all dressed-up with a new ending and loaded with wisecracks, it will mean the same old success, I am sure. Due soon at the Alhambra.

A GRAND comedy-drama of an Irish-American family life, starring those two tremendously popular players, Jimmy Cagney and Pat O'Brien, is "The Irish in Us." Jimmy is a boxer's manager, and Pat a "cop" and Frank McHugh a fireman, three sons of a wonderful mother—perfectly played by Mary Gordon. Jimmy breaks his mother's heart when he leaves home after stealing his brother Pat's girl (Olivia de Havilland).

The picture has a full quota of sentiment, but it is balanced by amusing comedy and clever lines. Allan Jenkins as the drunken pugilist is priceless funny, and one and all contribute to a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Worth seeing. (Queen's).

"Your Uncle Dudley"

Edward Everett Horton is one of the most popular comedians on the screen to-day. Recently we all laughed at him in "His Night Out," now in a Twentieth Century-Fox he is again at his funniest. He is one of those civic-minded men whose continual aim is to help, and also to promote different "Weeks" for "Eating More Cabbage" or anything equally of value to good health. In consequence his own paint business goes to wrack and ruin. Finally, with his back to the wall, the worm turns upon the unappreciative town and all ends as you want it to end—with triumph for that most popular and likeable actor.

Chief among the excellent support will be found Lois Wilson, John McGuire, Rosina Lawrence, Alan Dinehart, Marjorie Goteson and others. Any E. E. H. film can be recommended. (King's).

Star, Kowloon

Paul Muni offers one of his lesser masterpieces in "Dr. Soerates," but it is better than the best of some other stars. Barton MacLane and Anne Dvorak are the best in support. Quite exciting and worth seeing.

Followed by "The Last Outpost," a war drama with Eastern backgrounds, starring Cary Grant and Claud Rains. Begins grippingly but merges into a love triangle, and ends in the most melodramatic fashion.

The British picture starring the great German actress Elizabeth Bergner in "Escape me Never" is certainly advised. The story is not worthy of this really great actress, but her performance as the waif "Gemma" is unforgettable. Hugh Sinclair and Griffith Jones are the chief in support, but it is Miss Bergner and her magic that makes her performance rank as among the greatest yet seen on the screen. (Star).

Oriental

"Pursuit," with Sally Eilers and Chester Morris, tells the tale of a small boy who is kidnapped by these two, so that he can be delivered safely to his mother, whom he adores. Plenty of thrills and good all-round acting, especially from the two leading players and good all-round acting, especially the little boy Scotty Beckett.

A mammoth musical "Broadway Melody of 1936" comes next, starring the famous dancer Eleanor Powell, Robert Taylor and Jack Benny. Miss Powell's dancing and acting (with singing doubled by a girl named Marjorie Lane) leaves this from being "Just another Musical." It is certainly advisable to see this, just for Miss Powell, whose work is superb.

The grand favourites Jimmy Cagney and Pat O'Brien follow in "Devil Dogs of the Air," a slickly-made drama set against the impressive background of the American Air Force. Far from original, but most entertaining of its type. Frank McHugh and Margaret Lindsay give sound support. (Oriental).

Majestic

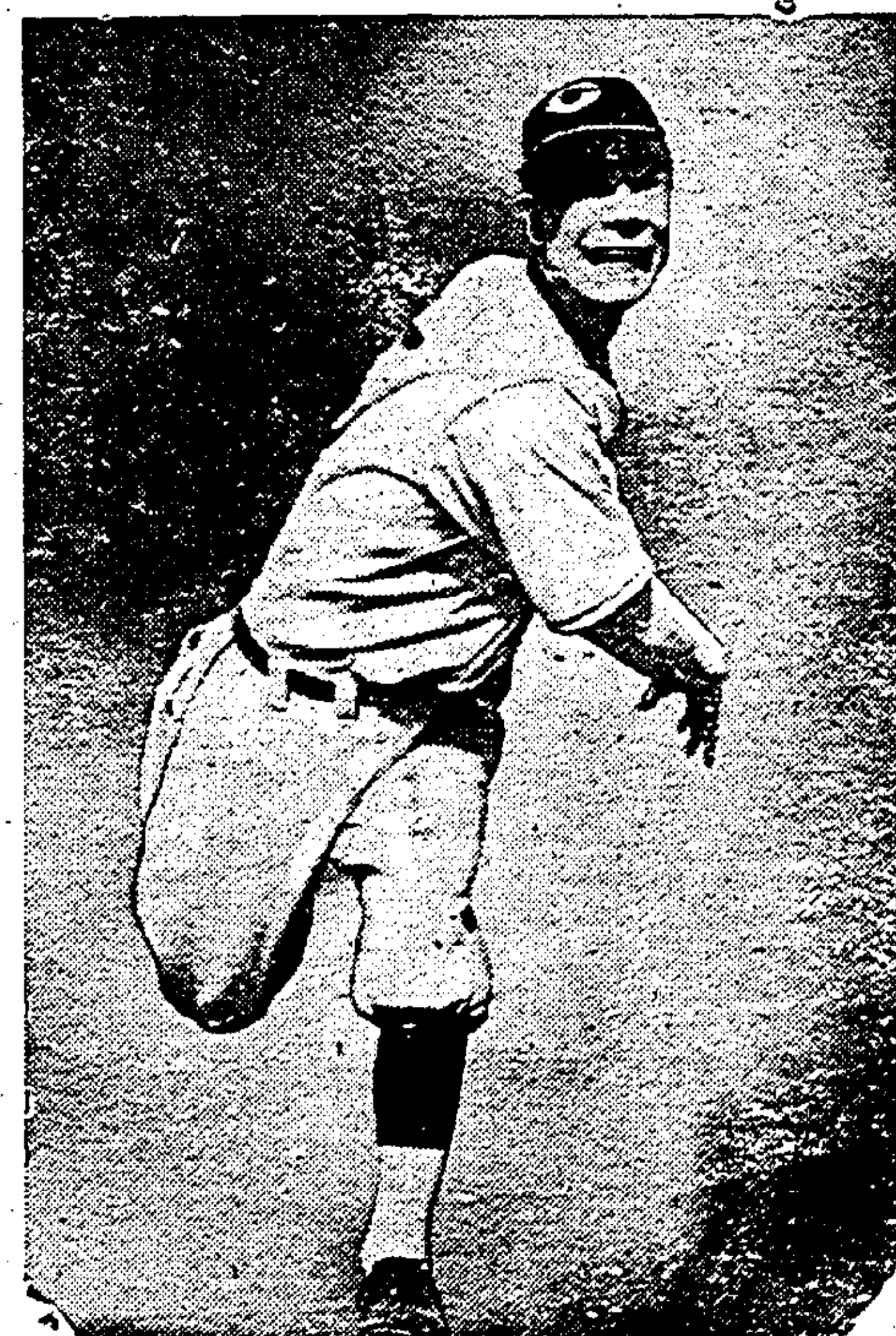
"Picture Snatcher," with Jimmy Cagney, Ralph Bellamy, Patricia Ellis and Alice White, may appeal to some.

"Hooray for Love" is one of the better musicals, with pretty songs, a well-told story and good cast

KING'S

ALHAMBRA

OPENING TO-DAY



Joe E. Brown provides most of the laughs in the Warner Bros. production, "Alibi Ike," which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre next Sunday.



Ronald Colman and Joan Bennett are in "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo," now showing at the King's and Alhambra Theatres.

which includes the very popular days and the second part the next Gene Raymond and Anne Sothern. two. Pictures of a popular "Call of the Savage" is a serial variety to suit all tastes. (Majestic) with the first part shown for two (sic)—DIANE.

LONDON NAVAL PARLEY

Considerable Progress Evidenced

ITALIAN DELEGATION IN ATTENDANCE

London, To-day. Considerable progress was made yesterday at a meeting of the technical committee of the Naval Conference, the first meeting for several weeks. It approved the draft of the new treaty on all categories except battleships, of which the French and American delegations are privately elaborating the formula.

It was agreed that no capital ship will be built between 8,000 and 17,500 tons after 1942. Until 1942 the existing 10,000-ton cruisers will be allowed, but no new ones may be constructed. The Italian delegation attended yesterday's meeting. — Reuter.

JAPANESE SKIPPER FINED \$50

No Port Of Clearance Certificate

Pleading ignorance of the Colony's harbour regulations and also that he was under the impression that Tsun Wan Bay was within the harbour limits proved of no avail to Captain S. Makino, master of the m.v. Tomosei, who was fined \$50 by Commander J. B. Newill at the Marine Court this morning for unlawfully leaving the Port of Victoria without having obtained a Port of Clearance certificate from the Harbour Master on February 29. The summons was taken out by Chief Clerk Inspector W. R. Hillier.

In giving evidence, Mr. H. J. Millington, Chief Bailiff of the Supreme Court, stated that he went out on the afternoon of February 28 to seize the vessel, but was told that the master was not on board. Witness left two of his men on board to inform him when the master returned. The men returned the next day and informed him that they had been ordered to leave the ship, which had sailed away.

On Monday last he received information that the vessel was anchored in Tsun Wan Bay. He proceeded to Tsun Wan and placed the ship under arrest, bringing her back to the harbour.

ESPIONAGE TRIAL AT OLD BAILEY

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SECRET PLANS Prior to Dr. Goertz's evidence three witnesses, including a Group-Captain in the Royal Air Force and a witness who produced secret plans, gave evidence in camera.

During the sitting of 100 minutes Mr. Croom Johnston, K. C., for the accused, had previously cross-examined Lieutenant-Colonel Cook, attached to the General Staff, the directorate of military operations and the intelligence department of the War Office, on his knowledge of German. Lt.-Col. Cook stated that he was interpreter to Mr. Lloyd George as Prime Minister and other members of the Cabinet at the Spa Conference in 1920. — Reuter.

Cheero Club Activities

Last Tuesday a very successful whist drive was again held at the Cheero Club. The prize winners were as follows:—Ladies 1st Mrs. Beer, 2nd Mrs. Newnham, Sealed No. Mrs. Sanderson — Gents, 1st Mr. Moore, 2nd Mr. Holmes, Sealed No. Mr. Richardson — The Aggregate Prizes for January and February were also presented, the winners being Ladies, Mrs. Deacon; Gents, Mr. Tolley. After the regular whist drive a "Knock-out" whist drive was held and the winners were Mrs. B. J. Clark and Mr. Moore. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Hance, and Mr. Medina was M. C.

Last Wednesday the weekly tea dance was held and proved successful, and in the evening an impromptu concert was given by some of the Club's members.

Yesterday a Bridge and Mah Jongg drive was held, and to make these drives a success the Club would like the support of more people.

On Monday next the weekly

CORRESPONDENCE

Hungry Babies In Hong Kong

(To The Editor, "China Mail")

Sir,—I should be grateful if you would kindly publish the result of my Appeal for Hungry Babies on behalf of the Child Protection Society. By now every donor should have received a formal receipt, but I should like to express my warm appreciation of the response to my appeal. The total is \$2,556 and the Executive of the Society for the Protection of Children are very glad to have this sum to lighten their burden of responsibility and development. In addition Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Danby presented the Society with two cases of condensed milk, a very welcome gift. I should like to mention specially the generous contribution of \$30 from the Happy Valley Sunday School, per Mr. Allan J. Flynn. It is good that children should interest themselves in other children less fortunate than themselves.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to Mr. A. S. Abbott who, assisted by Mr. K. H. Lui, so kindly helped me in sending out the appeal.

Yours faithfully,
Bella Southorn,
President,
Women's Auxiliary.

INDUSTRIAL LEADERS

Party To Visit Canton

Among the many passengers who arrived in the Colony this morning from Shanghai were the 36 Chinese industrial leaders who have been investigating the economic situation in Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces.

On arrival here this morning they were met by representatives of the Hong Kong Chinese Chamber of Commerce and other Chinese commercial bodies and at 11 a.m. were the guests of honour at the Kam Loong Restaurant.

They were entertained to tiffin at 1 p.m. by the Chinese Chamber at the Peninsula Hotel and will leave en masse for Canton by the Kai Express at 4 p.m.

dance will be held at the Club, commencing at 8.30 p.m. On March 16 the Ladies' Committee are running a dance at the China Fleet Theatre. Ladies by invitation only, Gentlemen \$1 each, which includes light refreshments.

On Tuesday next there will be the usual weekly whist drive, which commences at 8.30 p.m. Admission 50 cts., which includes light refreshments.

On Wednesday next there is to be the weekly tea dance from 5.30 p.m. Admission 40 cts. each, which includes tea.

On Thursday next the weekly Bridge and Mah Jongg drive will be held, commencing at 8 p.m. Admission 50 cts. each, which includes light refreshments.

On March 23 a Bridge and Mah Jongg drive will be held in the Lounge of the Club, commencing at 8 p.m. Admission \$1 each, which includes tea. Tables may be booked through the Secretary, Tel. 33907.

To-day's Short Story

MISS NORA'S LOCKET

By John Vigour

EVEN the Chinese pirates knew, these days! The chief said to Mrs. Mallinson: "Sixty thousand for you, and thirty for the child, eh? They will pay that?"

Ninety thousand dollars! And Mrs. Mallinson wasn't a rich woman at all. They massacred people whose ransoms weren't paid, after sending grisly reminders to Consuls and suchlike people. Everyone knew it. Forecastle talk dealt a lot with piratical roceries. There was a case just before the Empire State left port—a missionary had been cut to ribbons, all because the ransom had been late in arriving.

"Curse yer dirty soul!" spat Muffy of a sudden; and was promptly hit on the head with the butt of a big revolver. But what else could a man have done, when that filthy chief reached out his clawlike hands and tore from little Nora's neck the thin gold chain supporting the child's most adored possession? Nora screamed; tears formed in Mrs. Mallinson's pretty eyes; the chief, with an ugly leer, crammed the chain and locket into a pocket.

He was an undersized little runt of a man, blue-eyed, skimp; his arms were like pipe-stems. He'd always shrunk away from the idea of violence, being meek to abjectness; that was why they gave him the scavenging jobs to do: scrubbing out lifeboats with souse-moosie; holystoning decks, helping the black squad get up the ashes, and so on.

The chief of the pirates, a tawny giant, looked clean through Muffy when he was jolted up to the bridge, said something in his own tongue that made the other bristling yellowskins laugh, and then shoved his revolver muzzle up against big Carney's ribs and told him, in English as good as Carney's own, to get to the wheel and steer exactly as he was told.

Muffy, blinking past the chief, saw a destroyer's smoke in the distance, and had a vague thought that if he could only do something—anything—to attract that war-cano's attention, things would not be as bad as they seemed. These Chinese pirates murdered all such prisoners as were not worth a ransom; and Muffy had no false notions of his own importance in the human scheme. No one cared whether he sank or swam; and no one ever had, since he left the charity school which had been all the home he'd ever experienced.

Only what could a man do? If he even reached a hand to the signal-halliards he'd be chopped down like a sheep. Carney was steering the ship on her original course, under orders, so that distant destroyer would never suspect anything being wrong aboard the Empire State.

Up to the bridge came another party: three slant-eyed miscreants, dragging with them pretty Mrs. Mallinson and her little girl, Nora. Frightened though Nora was, she contrived a watery smile for Muffy. He used to make her dolls out of oddments of burning; he had knicked carved her a model sampan which floated in the wash-deck tub as if it were real.

"Ah!" said the chief, gloating over Mrs. Mallinson and Nora. "Here is good ransom!"

He spoke in a really refined voice, like a proper toff; and Muffy, remembered, having heard somewhere that lots of these Chinks had been educated at Oxford or Cambridge colleges. You never

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"Take them away and secure them!" he commanded.

"This one, too?" asked his lieutenant, stirring Muffy's limp body with his foot.

"Throw that one overboard. No keep him. He will come in handy to make sport for us at headquarters."

Muffy awkwardly struggled up right when kicked in the ribs, had to cling to the bridge-rail for support; and even the astute chief didn't notice that he had managed to release a lifebuoy on which the ship's name was painted; it dropped overboard. Muffy thought that if a destroyer spotted that lifebuoy it might grow suspicious. That was all he could do.

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INTERPORT HOCKEY PRACTICE

COLONY DEFEAT EAST LANCES.

The Colony Interport hockey team were seen in action yesterday afternoon in a practice match against the East Lancashire Regiment and won a very exciting encounter by 4 goals to 1 after being in arrears at the interval.

Owen, in goal for the Interports, gave a splendid display, while the whole of the intermediate-line shone.

Divett, on the right-wing, gave one of his best displays to date, while Lal Singh, supporting Nolan, on the left-wing, was superb and but for the fact that Burch is a certainty for the inside-left berth would secure his place in the team.

Williams, playing in the pivotal berth for the soldiers, was one of the outstanding players on display and should secure his place on Reed's right-flank to-morrow. He scored their only goal, while Gurbachan Singh (2), Divett and Lal Singh scored for the winners.

SECRETARY CITED

Divorce Decree For Lady Lymington

HUSBAND "COMPLETELY INDIFFERENT"

A decree nisi was granted by Mr. Justice Langton in the Divorce Court last month to Mary Lawrence Wallop, Viscountess Lymington, on the ground of the adultery of her husband, Gerard Vernon Wallop, Viscount Lymington, with a Miss Bridget Crohan. The suit was not defended.

Lady Lymington's address was given as Montpelier-row, Kensington. The marriage, of which there are two children, took place at St. Ann's Protestant Episcopal Church, Sayville, New York, on July 31, 1920. Lady Lymington and her husband lived at Farleigh Wallop, Basingstoke.

Fairy Happy

Her case was that the marriage was fairly happy until 1932 or 1933, when Miss Bridget Crohan began to do unpaid secretarial work for her husband. In February, 1934, he was away, and on his return he said he had been away with Miss Crohan. Later he suggested a divorce, but they tried to make things up for the sake of the children.

Last March Lord Lymington told his wife he was completely indifferent to her and wanted to marry Miss Crohan.

Lady Lymington was given the custody of the children.

JURY STOP CASE

Acquittal on Theft Charge

A jury at London Sessions last month stopped a case in which Jason Henry Nash, aged 60, was accused of stealing five casement doors from his employers, a firm of joinery importers at Islington. Nash was discharged.

Giving evidence, Nash said that he was a sub-contractor, and employed about a dozen men. He had been working for the firm for 40 years, and no suggestion had ever been made against him. He arranged with other employees to buy the doors, cheap, as they were damaged, and would be sold at a cut price.

After he had initialled particulars of the transaction he took the doors home, being told that he would be informed of the price later.

FLIGHT RECORD ATTEMPT

FL-Lt. Rose Still Has A Chance

London, To-day. Although Flight-Lieutenant Rose lost time when poor visibility on Wednesday made him return to Salisbury, Rhodesia, he still has a chance of establishing a new record on his return flight from Cape Town to England. He flew to Kismu, Kenya, early yesterday morning and soon after set off again for the Sudan.

Last month Mr. Rose set up a new record of 3 days 17 hours 35 minutes for the England to the Cape flight — British Wireless Service.

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The Chapter on the Kuomintang covers the political history of China in 1934. The Chapter on the Chinese Government contains the Text of the Provisional Constitution, the Organic Law, and the Draft of the Permanent Constitution.

The Chapter on International Issues gives the text of the Agreement and Exchange of Notes of the sale of the Chinese Eastern Railway, besides the latest documents relating to Sino-Japanese issues.

China's Communications — Railways, Roads, Post Office, Telegraphs, Wireless, Telephones and Aviation—are very fully dealt with.

Father D'Elia, in the Chapter on Religions, contributes an interesting Chronological Review of Catholic Missions in China.

Mr. E. Kann is again responsible for the Chapter on Currency and Banking, and the Loan Tables.

A new feature is a Chapter on China's Modern Industries.

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EMPEROR'S REPLY

CONVERSATIONS IN ROME

BRITISH CABINET MEETS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Addis Ababa, To-day.
The Negus has answered the peace proposal of the Committee of Thirteen with the following telegram to M. Avenol, Secretary-General of the League Council:—

"I have noted the contents of the telegram which you have despatched to my Foreign Minister in the name of the Committee of Thirteen. All the members of the League know that already before the outbreak of hostilities, we did everything to maintain peace, by preserving the right attitude in the spirit of the League of Nations. But Italy is violating her international obligations, and despite the measures hitherto taken, continues her aggression."

"We agree to the commencement of negotiations which take regard of the provisions of the League Covenant, and note that the proposals are made by the Committee of Thirteen, and that the negotiations are to take place in the spirit and within the framework of the League of Nations. A detailed answer will be conveyed to you by our Paris representative."—Trans-Ocean Service.

ROME CONVERSATIONS

Rome: The situation arising from the recent events at Geneva was discussed at a meeting last evening between Signor Mussolini and the French Ambassador, the Comte de Chambrun, at which the whole field of European politics was surveyed. It is presumed that the Ambassador urged the Duce to respond favourably to the League's appeal for the cessation of hostilities.

The meeting will be followed by a series of conversations between Comte de Chambrun and Signor Mussolini or Signor Savich.

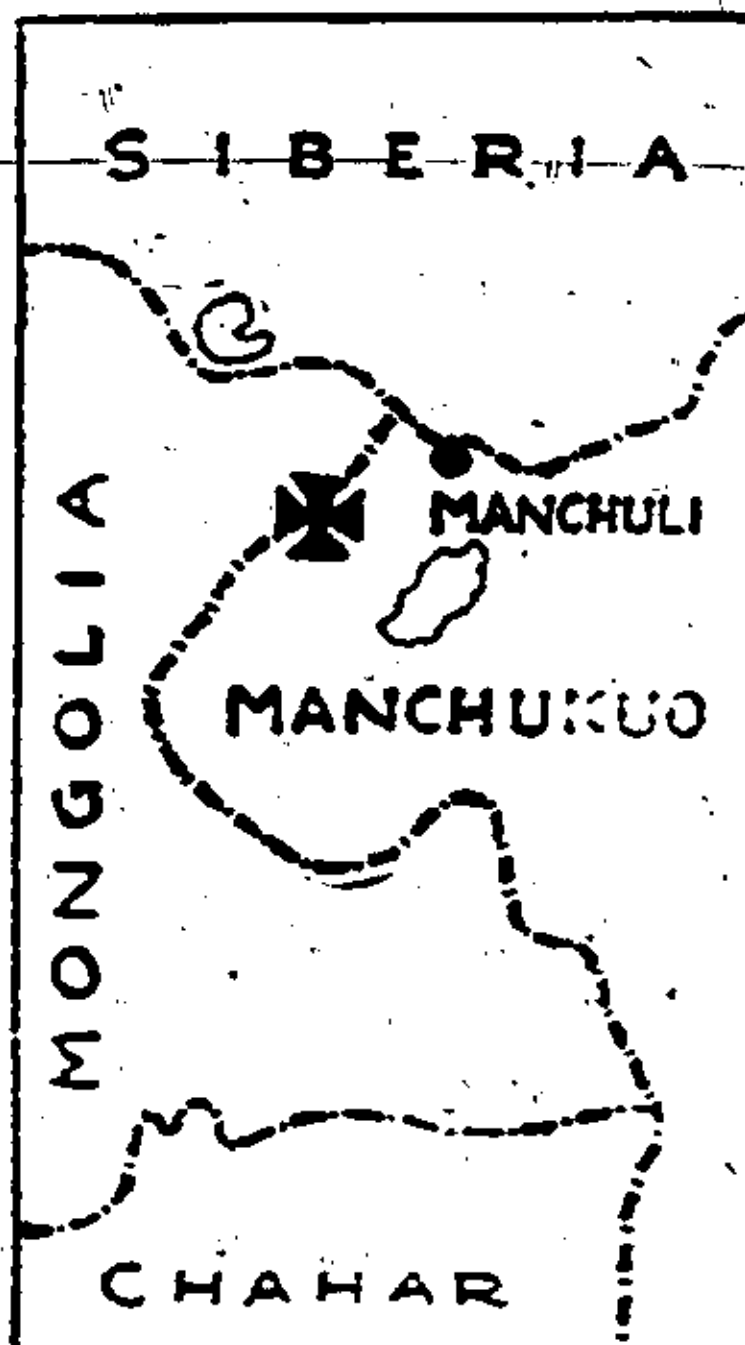
NEGUS'S STIPULATION

Addis Ababa: It is learned from an excellent semi-official source that the Emperor's detailed reply to the Geneva peace representations will probably stipulate that the possibility of Italy claiming possession of the Ethiopian territory occupied by force must be excluded from the peace negotiations.—Reuter.

Geneva: The Negus's acceptance of the League's peace proposals has been received here.

SWEDISH PROTEST

Stockholm: The Swedish Minister at Rome has presented a further note, maintaining that the bombardment of the Swedish ambulances on December 30 last was a deliberate act, and the note pre-



Reports from Manchukuo stated last month that the serious border clashes around Manchukuo between Japanese-led Manchukuo troops and Soviet cavalry were almost daily occurrences and threatened the peace of Japan and the Soviet, who are responsible by a treaty for the defence of Manchukuo and Outer Mongolia respectively.

It is assumed that the Italian Government is prepared to pay an indemnity for the damage of their property suffered by Swedish nationals.

BRITISH CABINET MEETS

London: A special meeting of the Cabinet was held yesterday afternoon concerning Mr. Anthony Eden's visit to Geneva. The members were anxious to hear about the conversations between Mr. Eden and M. Flandin and the decisions regarding the application of sanctions.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

Peace Prospects Meagre

FORECASTS BY GENEVA CORRESPONDENTS

Paris, To-day.

The prospects of the new conciliation proposal for a settlement of the Abyssinian war are considered extremely weak by the papers here, who publish pessimistic forecasts by their Geneva correspondents.

Although diplomatic circles are certain that the Negus will agree to a cessation of hostilities for the time proposed, and although it is held possible that Italy will agree in principle, it is feared that the Italian answer will contain so many conditions and reservations that the League will find it impossible to negotiate on such a basis.

Thus it is expected that the Duce, by arguing that he cannot accept peace proposals while still under outside pressure, will demand the lifting of the sanctions before agreeing to begin peace negotiations.—Reuter.

FOOLISH TO STAND THEIR GROUND

ITALIAN ALLEGATIONS RIDICULED

HEAVY RAINS REPORTED IN HARRAR AND OGADEN

Addis Ababa, To-day.

The Ethiopian Government ridicules the allegation that all the Ethiopian armies except Ras Nasibu's have been routed.

From the beginning of the war an imperial edict against risking a massed battle has been obeyed, and now that Marshal Badoglio had thrown five army corps into the action on the northern front it would have been folly for the Ethiopians to stand their ground. The Ethiopian forces are retreating according to a prearranged plan.

The Government states that the British ambulance was about 15 miles from the nearest camp when it was bombed. The Government asserts that the bombing was deliberate. After bombing Quoram, where they killed 10 peasants, two women and four children, the planes flew very low in the direction of the Ambulance. Three Kenya orderlies were wounded by the bombing.

A Harrar message states that heavy rains have set in in Harrar and Ogaden.—Reuter.

Rome: The second army being completely encircled, the corps is reported to have reached Takazze yesterday, pursuing the fleeing enemy.

The Italian version of the bombing of the British ambulance at Addis Ababa. Even though the Italian planes annihilated Ras Imru's Quoram states that the day before the bombing an Italian aeroplane swooped down to inspect the tents. It was fired at and it returned next day and bombed the tents.

Large quantities of black smoke rising from the ground after the bombing give rise to the belief that the tents contained munitions.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

Ras Imru's Army Collapses

FURTHER DETAILS OF GREAT BATTLE

Asmara: Further details concerning the battle of the Chire region have been received here, which state that Ras Imru's army has collapsed completely on the Takazze River line. According to this information preparation for the annihilation of Ras Imru's forces of 30,000 men, who held the strongly fortified positions west of Aksum, began on February 2. On February 29, the Second Army Corps began an advance from Selaklaka in a westerly direction while the Fourth Corps, which included the cavalry detachments of native troops and Blackshirts, crossed the Marec River and began to push forwards towards the South.

Despite the enemy's repeated attempts to check the Italian advance by precipitating attacks from the rear, the Second Corps reached their indicated positions. The enemy, who had tried vainly to pierce the Italian lines, was taken under terrific artillery and machine-gun fire, and suffered tremendous losses.

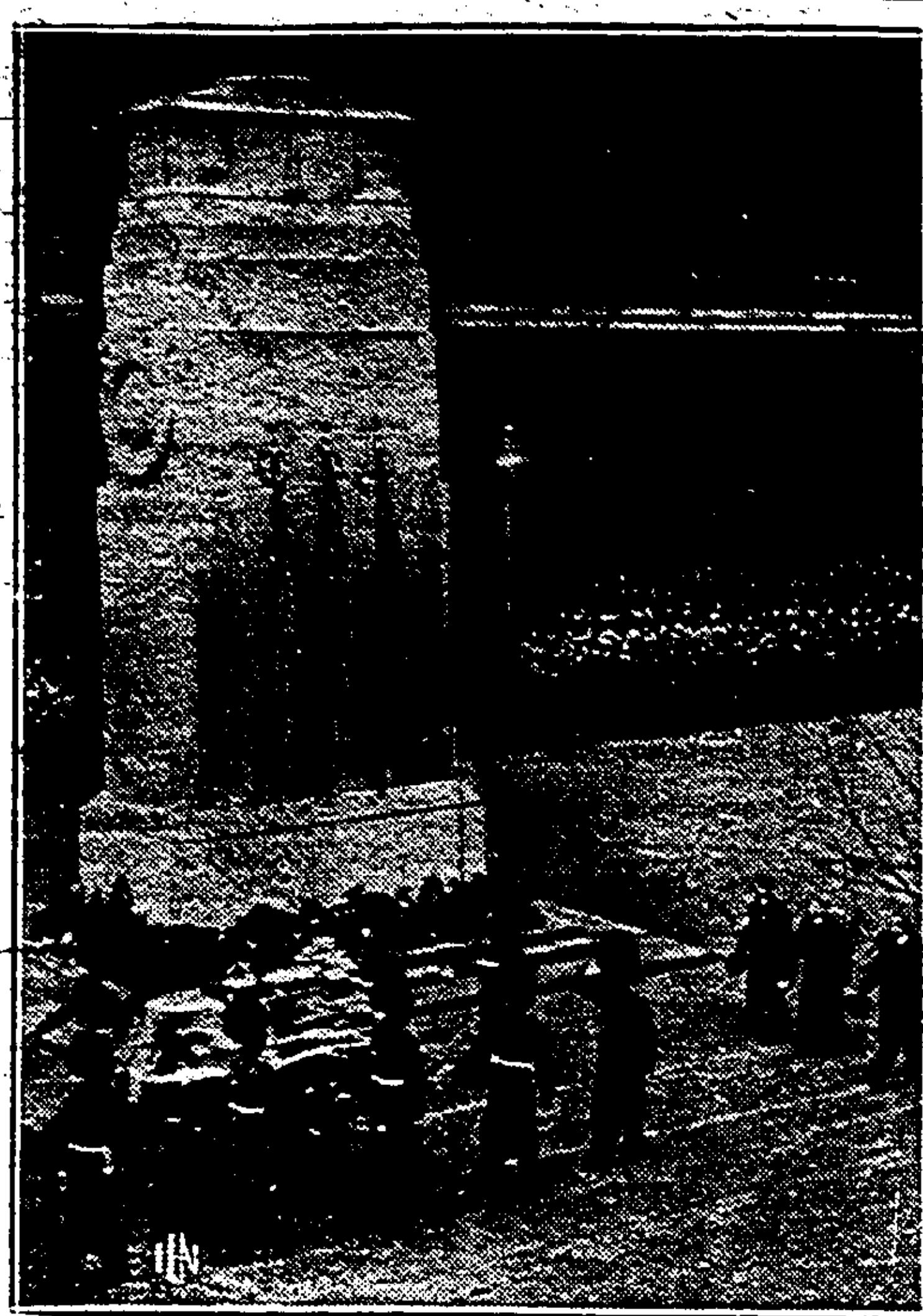
A COUNTER-ATTACK
The Italians began a counter-attack on March 3, and the Abyssinians elected to retire. Their retreat soon began to degenerate into a disorganised bulk which crossed the River Takazze as the Italian aeroplanes took up the pursuit. Havoc was caused on the crossing. Meanwhile, Italian foot soldiers also kept at the heels of the retreating forces.

However, the Abyssinians' speedy retreat prevented their talks. Neither does anybody sincerely believe that Signor Mussolini will agree to any peace without territorial gains, while the Committee of Thirteen cannot recommend any annexations.

In view of these self-evident facts, the forthcoming talks between Italy, Austria and Hungary, which are scheduled to take place from March 18 to 20, are causing some anxiety in Geneva, as it is feared that Italy will try to persuade these two countries to join her, if she leaves the League. The papers' Geneva correspondents are inclined to believe that such an attempt would be quite likely to succeed as far as Hungary is concerned, but it is believed that Austria will not be persuaded.—Trans-Ocean Service.

FIRST 1936 LAUNCH

The 700-ton motor coaster Beal, launched at Hebburn, was the first new vessel to take the water on the Tyne this year.



An impressive picture of the funeral cortege of King George V passing the Cenotaph in London, memorial to Britain's war dead. The new king, Edward VIII, and his brothers, the Dukes of York and Gloucester, are seen following the casket.

BRITISH RED CROSS UNIT BOMBED

DESCRIBED AS UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT BY ITALIANS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Addis Ababa, To-day.

The rumours current here for some time, that a British ambulance had been bombed, were confirmed yesterday by a British source from Dessie, which states that the British Red Cross unit at Quoram, the location of which was communicated to the Italians some time ago, was heavily bombed by low-flying Italian machines yesterday. Seven of the wounded patients there were killed, and three tents, including the operation tent, were completely destroyed. Several lorries belonging to the unit were badly damaged. A detailed report has been transmitted to the British Government.

The dressing station consisted of a London doctor and four other physicians, four Red Cross officers, six British non-commissioned officers and 40 trained native orderlies. Twenty Askaris were also attached to the station.

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This news has aroused intense indignation both in Abyssinian and foreign circles here, especially since it is known that the British Ambassador in Rome, Sir Eric Drummond, recently personally gave Signor Mussolini the exact details regarding the location of British Red Cross stations operating in Abyssinia.—Trans-Ocean Service.

"UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT"
Rome: The bombing of the British ambulance was described as an unfortunate accident by an Italian spokesman, who pointed out that the British Embassy notified the Italian authorities only yesterday that the ambulance had moved to Quoram. The Italians believed that it was still at Dessie. No representations have so far been made to the Italian Government regarding the bombing.

An appeal for peace in Abyssinia is made in the *Osservatore Romano*, the organ of the Vatican.

"INFORMATION DELAYED"
London: According to several newspaper reports, of which no official confirmation had been received yesterday in London, No. 1 British Ambulance Unit has been bombed at Quoram, Abyssinia.

According to one Addis Ababa account, three native Kenya boys attached to the unit were killed, but apparently the European personnel were unhurt. It has been the practice since the earlier cases of Red Cross bombing, of the International Red Cross and of the British Government to notify the Italian Government of the whereabouts of this ambulance unit, but a Rome spokesman is reported as saying that the information that the Ambulance had moved to Quoram reached the Italian authorities only yesterday.—British Wireless Service.

ALBANIA AND ITALY

Important Pact Signed

MILITARY FACILITIES GRANTED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

The Italo-Albanian Military Pact of 1926 was prolonged on Tuesday, after negotiations extending over a considerable time.

The foreign editor of *L'Oeuvre*, Madame Tabouis, reveals the following details concerning the Pact:

Italy agrees to pay to Albania an annual amount of 8 million gold lire, besides the arrears since the non-fulfilment of the pact, which amount to a total of 40 million gold lire.

A part of this sum is to be spent by Albania for the foundation of a Farmers Bank, while the rest of the money is to be used for the maintenance of the army and police force.

Italy assumes the obligation to complete the work in the harbour of Duraboo, which is to be enlarged in such a way as to enable the landing of an entire Italian army corps. As compensation, Italy is to be granted all mining, foresting and oil-boring rights.

The Pact finally provides that Italy is obliged to grant military assistance at any time to Albania, if such is requested, while Albania virtually agrees to put that country at the disposal of Italy, if this should be demanded.—Trans-Ocean Service.

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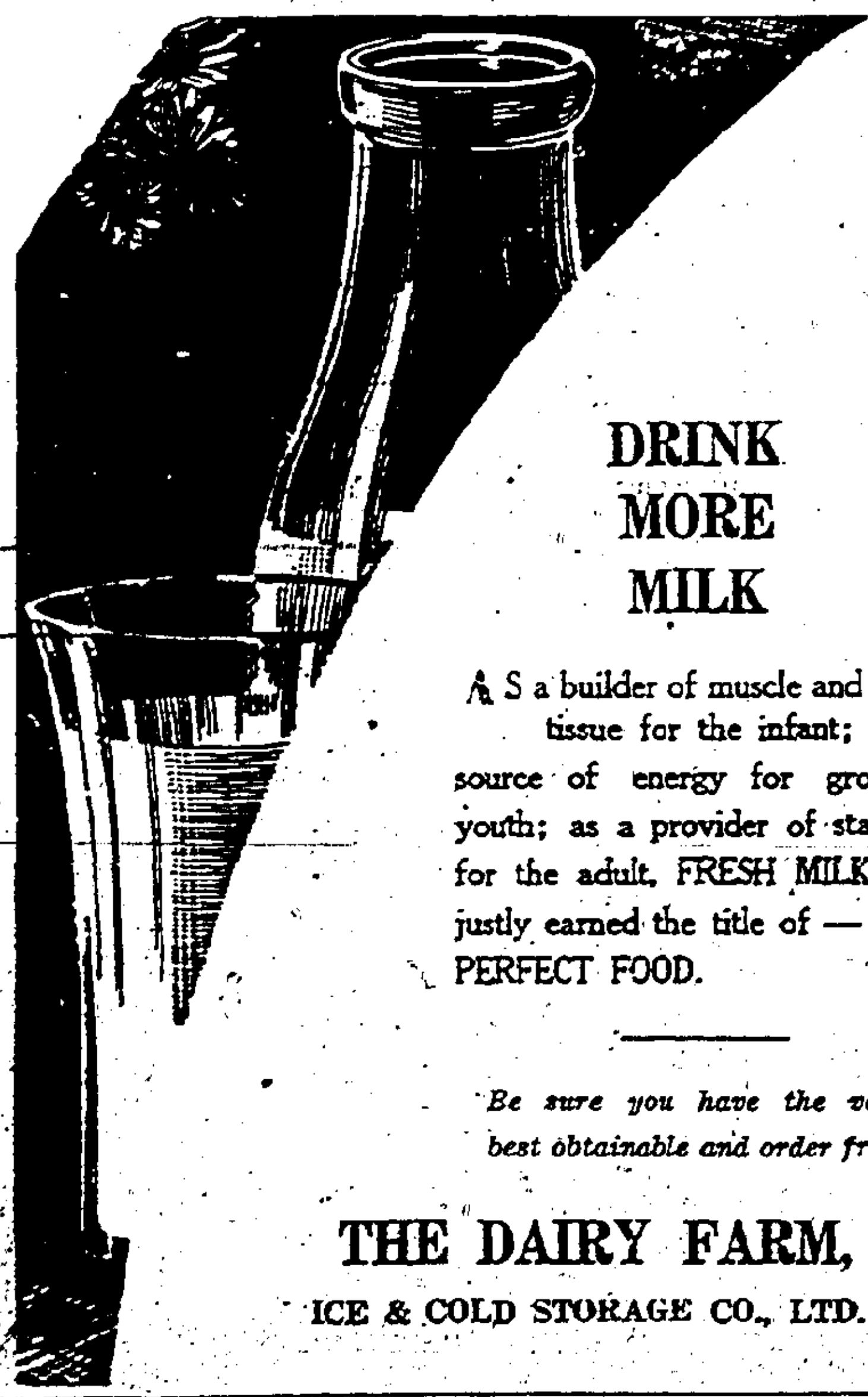
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MISS NORA'S LOCKET

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He was dragged down below and thrust into a steel-doored store-room, where Mrs. Mallinson and Nora were also incarcerated. The situation appeared hopeless. Presently the Empire State would be headed for Bias Bay, there to be pooted and fired. What had happened to the rest of her company Muffy could not say; but there had been shooting and shouting and general confusion before he was hounded on to the navigating bridge. These pirates must have come aboard as deck passengers, along with the fifty-odd coolies taken on at Samisen.

"Whatever shall we do?" asked Mrs. Mallinson. Not much light in the store-room, because its one small scuttle was smeared with grime and tightly screwed down, but you didn't need light to know how troubled the lady was, nor to hear Nora's whimpers over her lost locket. That was a nasty bit of work, Muffy thought—manhandling a girl-kid that way.

"Well, mum, I don't rightly know," Muffy mumbled. "I'm a bit slow in thinkin' things over." "They will never pay such a fabulous ransom for us," said Mrs. Mallinson. "And they've murdered women and children before now."

"Not afore the little gel, lady," Muffy said.

"Oh, I'm sorry," Mrs. Mallinson muffled her mouth with an unsteady hand. She knew the small repulse in which Muffy was held aboard, and, being a kindhearted woman, she had tried to make up to him for these slights.

"Pinchin' the kid's locket, by the way," said Muffy, as nearly wrathful as ever he had been in his black-willed life. "There's spare belts stowed in this locket," he added, as an afterthought; and Mrs. Mallinson wondered if the law had crazed him.

"Why, even Nora couldn't get enough of that port-hole," she tested.

"Right enough, mum, it is small!" Muffy patted the deckhand. But that of the locket galled him, so he gritted his blackened teeth. "Manhandlin' a kid that way! That dirty yellow swab!" What didn't they do when they'd got the lady and little Miss Nora here?

But it's not too small for this!" said Muffy. He managed to unscrew the butterfly nuts, swung open the scuttle, he folded a lifebelt small and shoved it through, then he another to follow it. "Ship's name's on 'em!" he whispered conspiratorially. "S'pose they hucks one over every so often. I'll know which way we've gone. It'll be dark soon, too."

Then they won't see them!" Mrs. Mallinson.

"Sure enough, lady," Muffy touched his throbbing head, into his thoughts came but slowly.

He sniffed and cocked his peering upwards. For the time in his chequered life he was thankful for his scrawny.

He sooner it's dark the better he said.

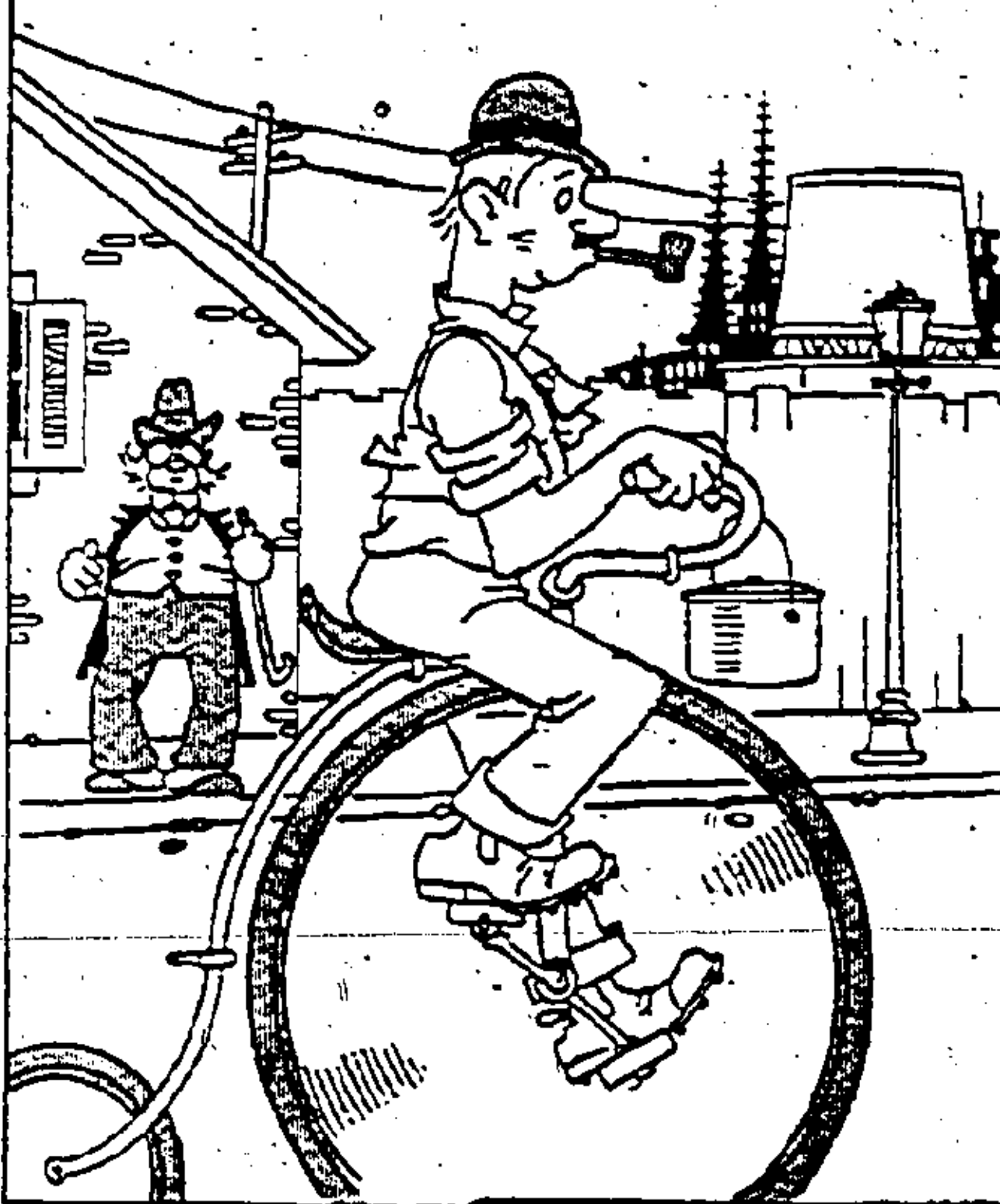
His contradicted his action with lifebelts, but he never was consistent in his attitude to life; never had been. He'd for an entire voyage about he'd do with his payday—buy a bit in a pub ashore, and settle to comfort; but he blued his payday in a couple of days! Well, enough, it wouldn't come to much.

When darkness fell on the ship, when the chunking of the chains above told of an anchor cast, when the thump of the engines increased as the steam-ship sped for the pirates' lair, Muffy chanced his arm. An orphan could never have wormed his way up that narrow ventila- tor on the deck above. It meant Mrs. Mallinson to let him lean on her shoulders, of course; he could never have borne the weight of a full-sized man; but he tried to wriggle up the shaft and so take a bird's-eye view of the obscure ship from the rigging.

He heard the wind whine in the rigging, heard the frap-frap of the sails, the sloosh of parted waves, heard the hoarse guffing of the pirate chief and his crew on the bridge. Well, Mr. Beamish didn't seem to be getting anything to get these people out of the mess, big as he was; neither did

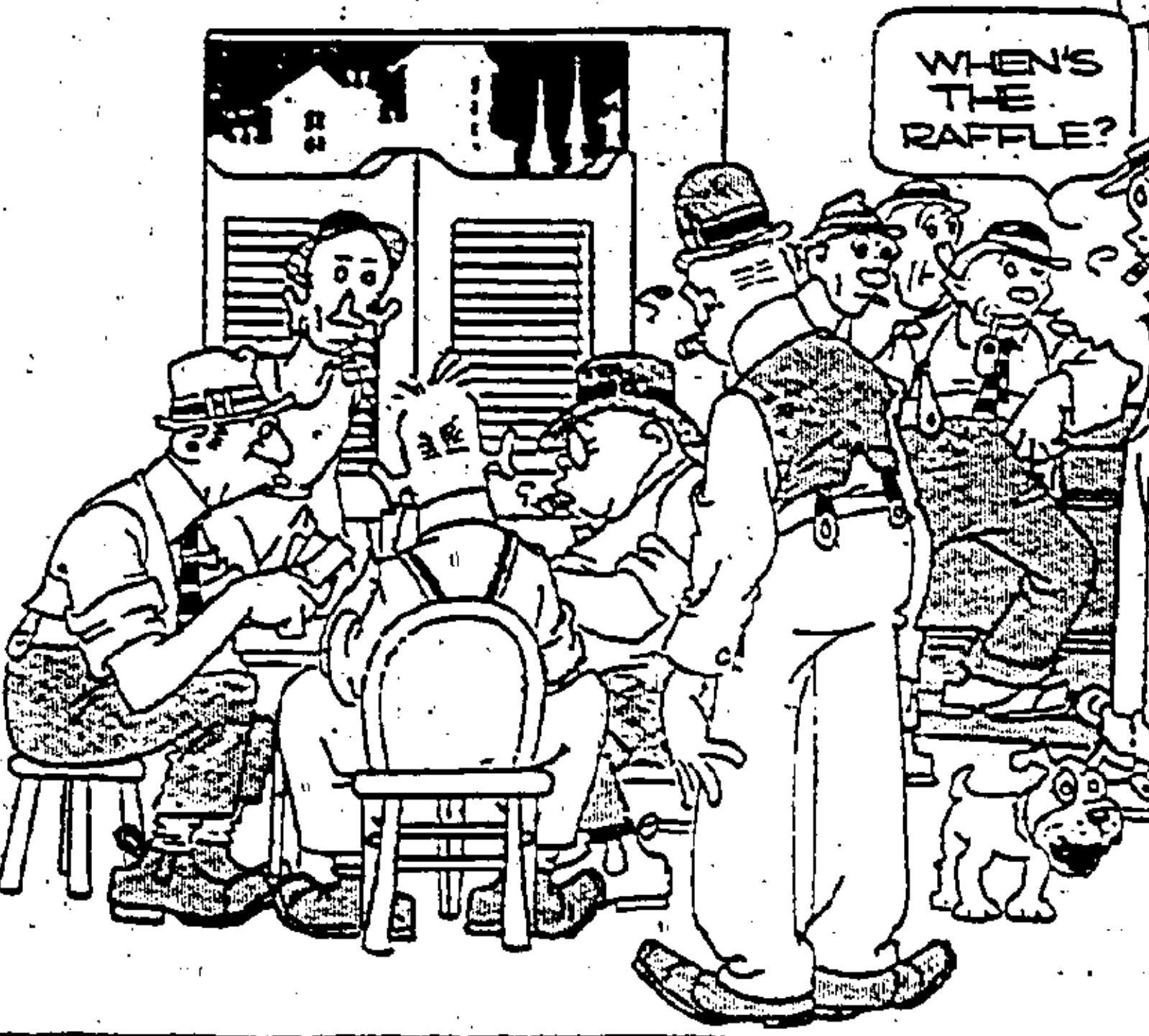
Bringing Up Father

HOW PROUD YOUR BROTHER TERRY WAS, GOIN' TO WORK ON THAT HIGH BIKE HE BOUGHT ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN—AN' HE'S STILL PAYIN' FOR IT—



AND HOW I USED TO GO TO SEE THE BALL GAME EVERY SATURDAY—

AND AT ROONEY'S PLACE EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT THE QUARTETTE WOULD SING UNTIL THE BOSS IN THE BOILER FACTORY NEXT DOOR COMPLAINED ABOUT THE NOISE—



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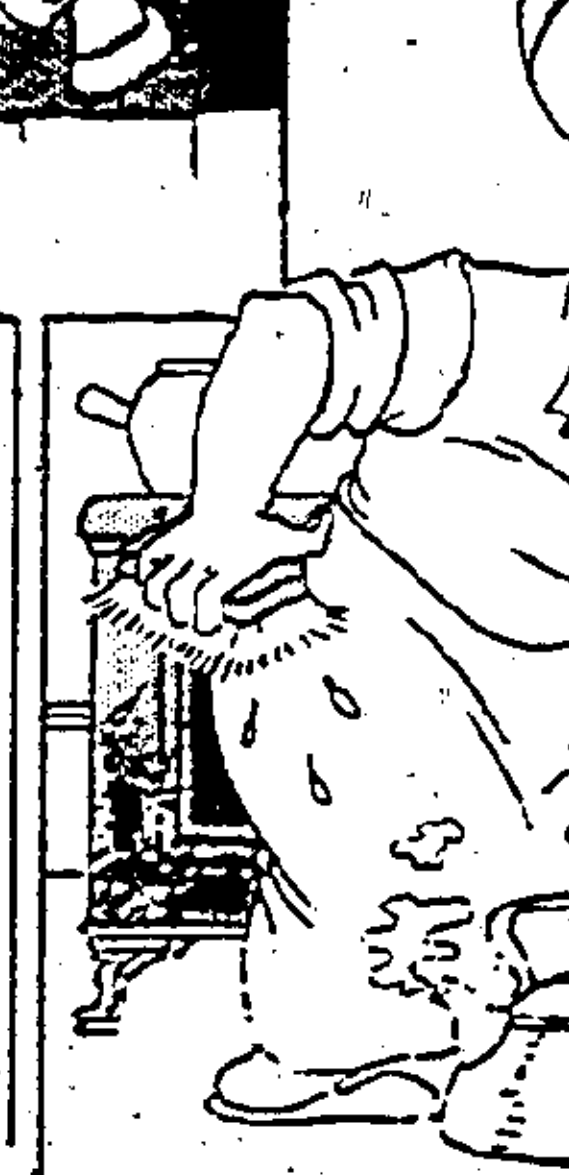


BY GOLLY—MAGGIE ME DARLIN', YOUR HANDS ARE LILY WHITE—I SUPPOSE THAT IS FROM HAVING 'EM IN SOAP SUDS AT THE LAUNDRY—

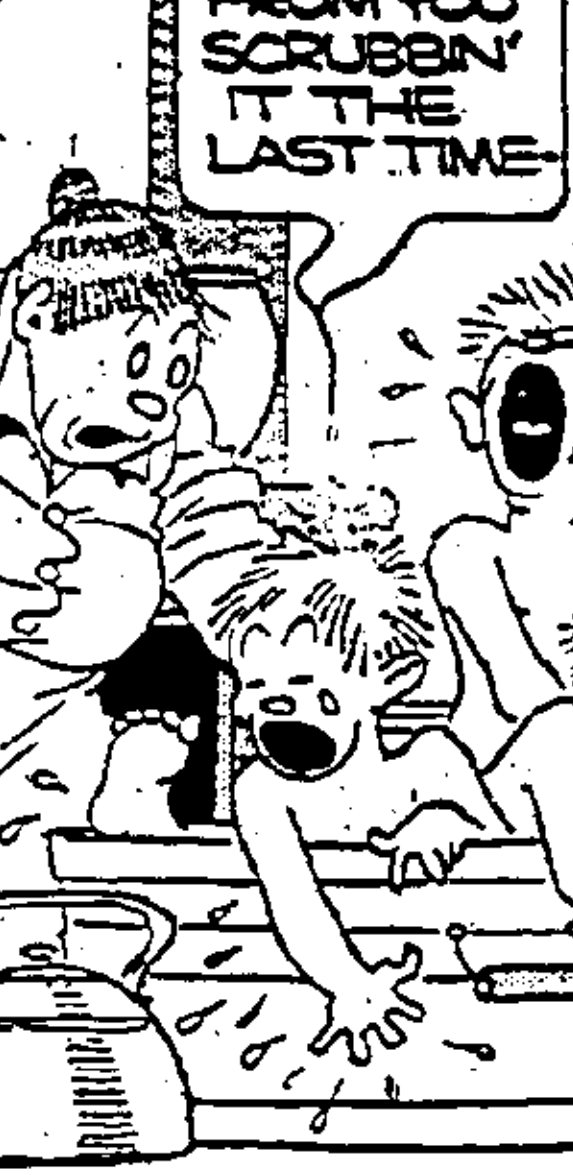


AND, MAGGIE, CAN YOU REMEMBER THE FIRST TIME THAT I KISSED YOUR HAND AT THE ASH-WAGON DRIVER'S PICNIC?

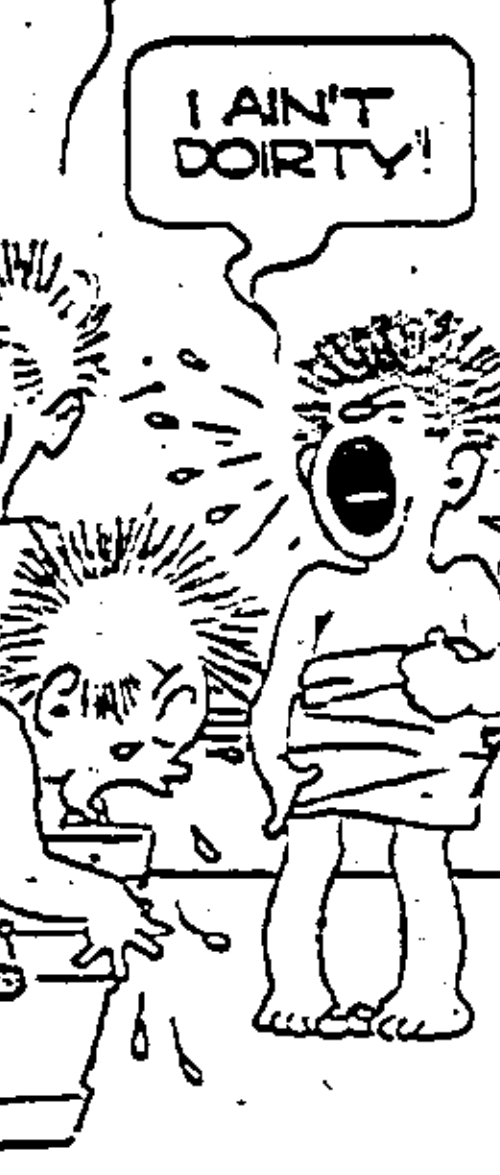
DANNY, IF YOU DON'T KEEP STILL I'LL KNOCK YOU OUT OF THE TUB—



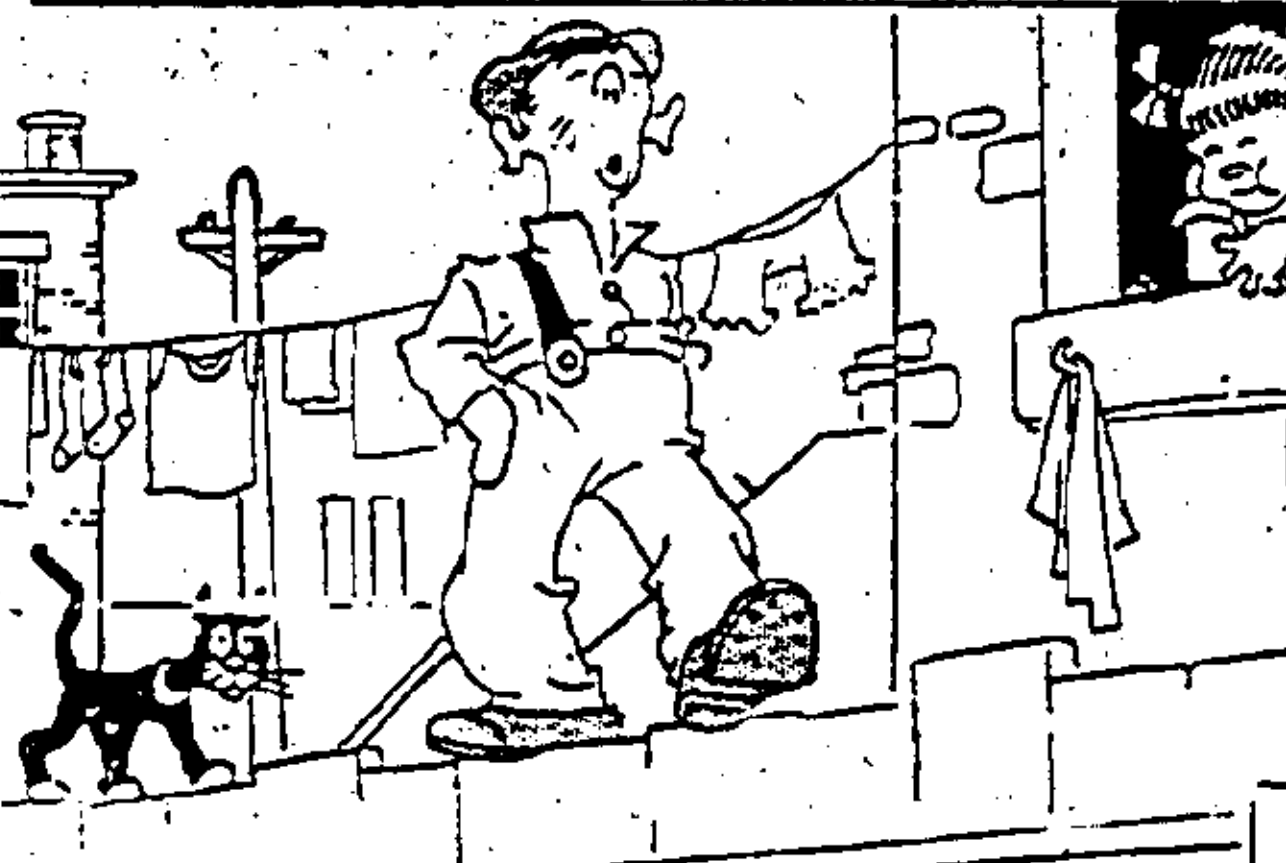
ME NECK IS SORE FROM YOU SCRUBBIN' IT THE LAST TIME—



I DON'T NEED A BATH—I HAD ONE LAST WEEK—

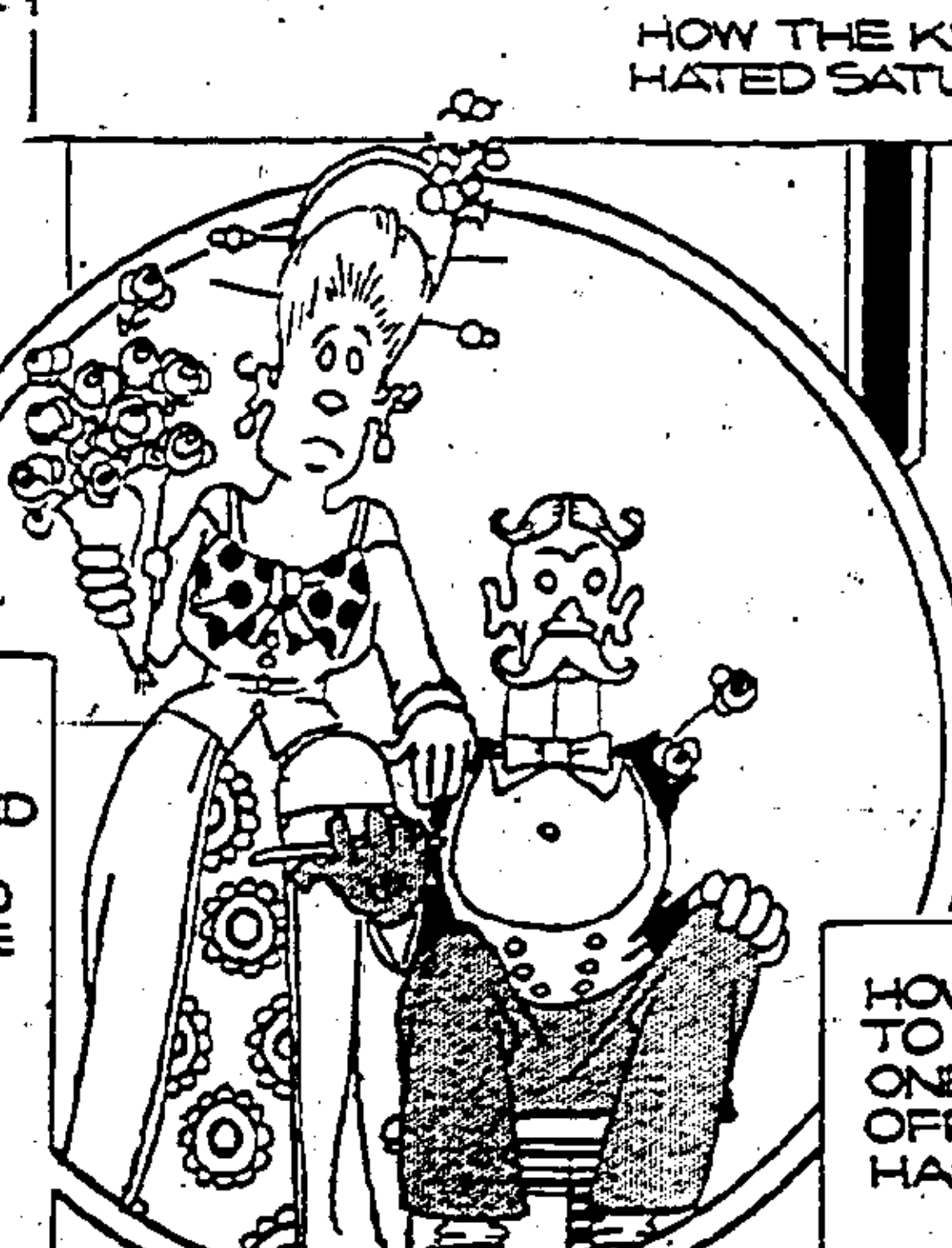


AND REMEMBER MRS. SPLOTT'S USED TO TAKE THE WHOLE FAMILY EVERY FRIDAY TO THE JAIL TO VISIT THEIR FATHER IN LATER YEARS THE KIDS DIDN'T HAVE TO GO—THEY WERE ALL IN JAIL WITH HIM—EXCEPT THE DAUGHTER—AN' SHE RAN AWAY WITH A BURGLAR—



AND REMEMBER THAT DUGAN KID, WHO USED TO WALK THE FENCE TO SHOW OFF TO ANNIE MALONE—HE LATER BECAME A PORCH-CRAWLER AN' SHE WAS MARRIED TO A POLE-SITTER—

AND HOW YOUR AUNT SUSIE LANDED JOE, THE BARBER WHO THOUGHT HE WAS A MAGICIAN—BUT HE COULDN'T GET OUT OF THAT—



HOW YOUR BROTHER DINNY USED TO LOVE TO WATCH MEN WORK—ONE DAY NOLAN, THE FOREMAN, OFFERED HIM A JOB—YER BROTHER HASN'T SPOKEN TO HIM SINCE—NOR HAS HE WORKED—



AND HOW PROUD YOUR UNCLE 'REDDY' WAS BECAUSE HE KEPT HIS HANSON CAB IN THE SAME LIVERY STABLE WITH THE VAN DE VANDEN'S HORSES—



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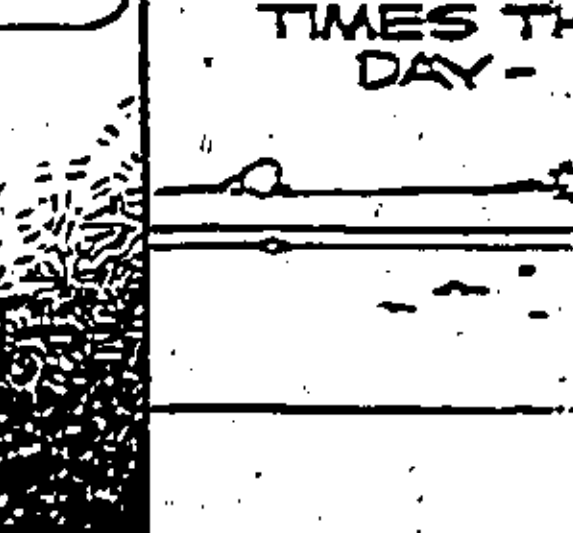
WE CAN'T GO BACK AS MANY YEARS AS MR JIGGS—BUT DO YOU REMEMBER OUR SCHOOL DAYS, ROSIE?



DO YOU REMEMBER SO CUTE—I EVEN LOVED YOU THEN, ARCHIE, AND I KNEW YOU LIKED ME—



REMEMBER WHEN YOU GOT YOUR BASE-BALL SUIT—YOU PASSED MY HOUSE FIFTY TIMES THAT DAY—



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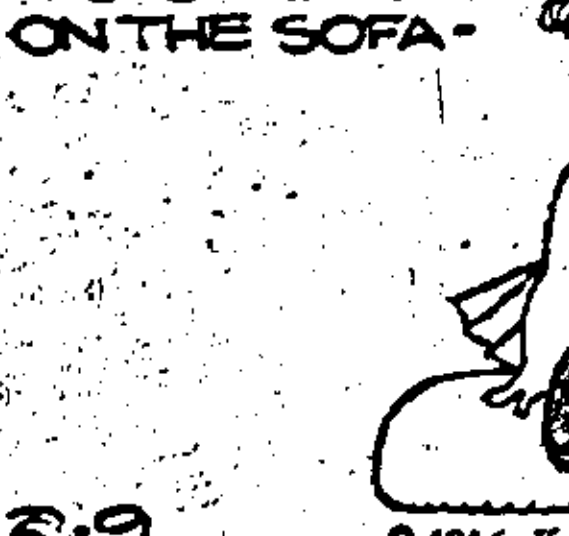
AND HOW THE BOYS TEASED YOU BECAUSE YOU CARRIED MY BOOKS—'HOW YOU DISLIKED WILLIE BROWN—



ARCHIE LOVES ROSIE—



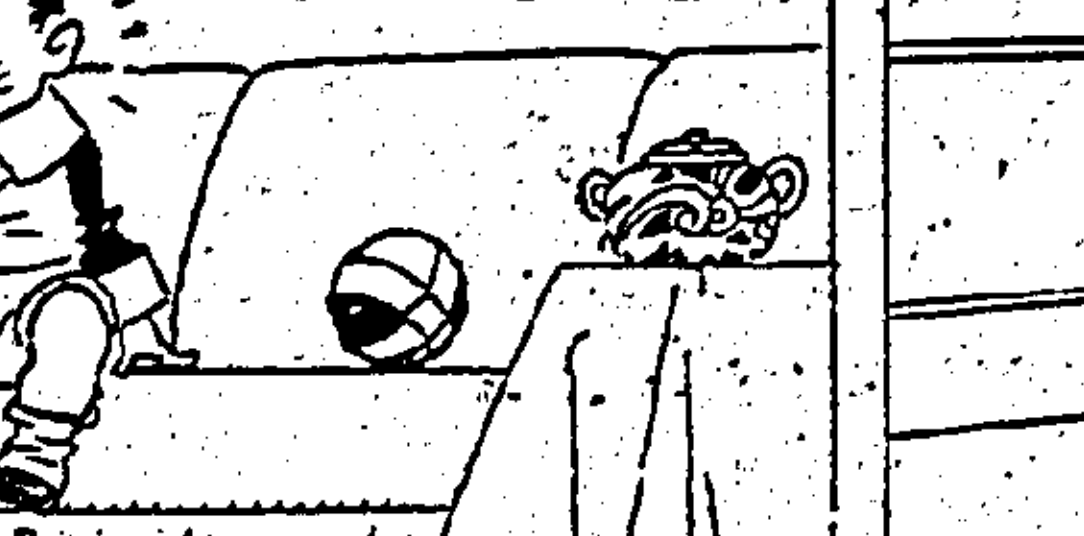
AND HOW BASHFUL YOU WERE WHEN I ASKED YOU TO SIT BY ME ON THE SOFA—



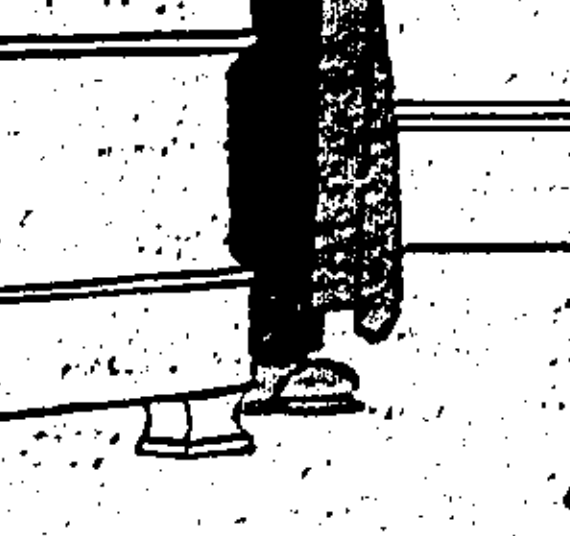
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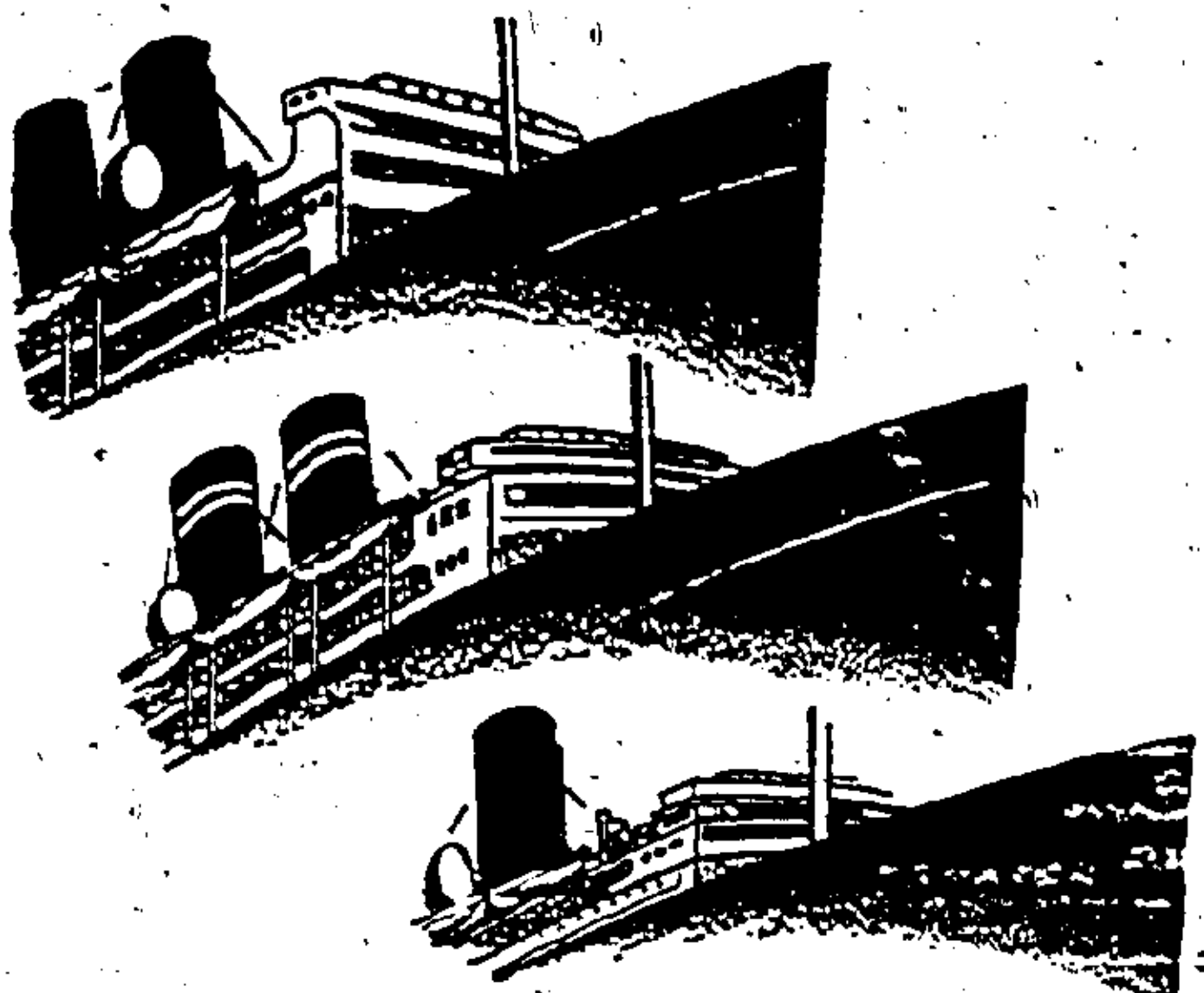
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Forty-Ninth Annual General Meeting

HEAVY DREDGING EXPENSE DURING 1935

Points which were given prominence in the speech of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Chairman of Directors, at the forty-ninth annual general meeting of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., which was held yesterday, were the considerably decreased earnings and the unexpectedly heavy expense for dredging incurred during the past year.

At the meeting were the following directors: Messrs. the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Chairman), M. T. Johnson, S. H. Dodwell, D. Drummond, Frank Austin, F. A. Joseph, A. Von Haensisch, W. T. Goodwin, Lawrence Kadoorie and Sir Robert Ho Tung. Shareholders present were Messrs. G. B. S. Thomson, D. Mackenzie, G. Castle, G. W. Sewell, J. M. Alves, A. Murdoch, and A. N. Mackenzie.

The secretary, Mr. F. H. Carpenell, read the notice convening the meeting.

Chairman's Speech

The Chairman said:—"The report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will, with your permission, follow the usual procedure and take them as read. The past year's workings disclose a considerable decrease in earnings. There was a drop of \$168,000 in receipts for storage and \$68,000 in lighterwork.

In wharf work, however, the receipts were \$57,000 better than in 1934. Work at the wharves was very satisfactory, for 925 ships were berthed and 618,730 tons of cargo landed, this being 100 vessels more to go alongside and an increase of 80,200 tons of cargo landed compared with 1934. These figures illustrate that it is undoubtedly more satisfactory for a vessel to go alongside a wharf to discharge than it is to deliver cargo overseas when moored at a buoy.

"Approximately 80 per cent. of the goods landed was for transshipment, and only a small quantity of the local cargo was left on storage."

Revenue Follows Exchange

"Revenue from storage commenced to drop in 1930 in sympathy with the fall in exchange. In previous years our godowns were well filled, when merchants kept stocks ahead of immediate requirements. Over the past six years stocks of merchandise have gradually depleted and now coincide with present trading conditions in the Colony."

"Work on the lengthening and widening of No. 1 Wharf was completed early in the year. The wharf is now 750 feet in length and 81 feet wide. There is a shelter in the centre which proves very convenient to friends of passengers waiting on the wharf during the hot and rainy season."

"At our last meeting I mentioned that dredging was in progress in the vicinity of the wharves. This was completed during the year and we were called upon by Government for \$201,571.00 as the Company's contribution, which was considerably more than anticipated. Extensive dredging to a depth of 34 feet was carried out in the harbour, and your Directors had to agree to bear the cost of dredging to a similar depth between the wharves and over an area 100 feet off the sea ends. It subsequently transpired that the Government scheme did not, as we thought, include dredging that section of the harbour which would be necessary to permit deep-draught ships to approach our longest wharf."

"Strong representations were made to the Government on what appeared to your Board to be reasonable grounds. They maintained that the dredging of an area, which was necessary in the general interest to enable the port to accommodate modern vessels, should not fall upon the Wharf Company. I regret to say, however, that our protests were unavailing and in the end we had no option but to submit to this additional expense."

General Reserve

"Turning to the accounts, you will notice that the balance sheet has been revised by creating a General Reserve Account. This has been formed by absorbing the premium on the new share issue."



Mrs. Mabel Eaton (top) plans an appeal from the Newark, New Jersey, Chancery court decision which granted the custody of their children to her husband Warren (below), on the grounds that she had become imbued with Communistic and atheistic doctrines. Their son David is shown.

Miss Nora's Locket

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the dandy-fine captain, who looked at a man as if he was so much dirt. For all of them, Mrs. Malins and Nora—Nora who'd put her soft little hand confidently into Muffy's horny paw—could be sliced into a thousand pieces!

Muffy knew those lifeboats inside out, knew every detail of their equipment. He'd souge-mouged them often enough to recite their contents with his eyes shut. He nipped across the boat deck like a wraith; hugged the shelter of the nearest boat while he unrove the cover-lacing; he nipped into the boat.

There was really no need to grope among the impedimenta, if it came to that.

The watch-keeper aboard H.M. destroyer Whirlwind stared forward with steady eyes, and it was the sentry over the after lifebuoy who actually raised the alarm.

"Rockets!" snapped Mr. Warburton. "Helm to port, turn sixteen points!" He was a prompt young man. He sounded the alarm and the destroyer's crew hurried to action stations. The lean ship swung and steadied her bow on another ascending flight of rockets. Commander Boyle came up at the run.

"That lifebelt we picked up did mean something, then!" he said curtly. "Full speed!"

When the first shell screamed over the Empire State's funnel, when the Whirlwind's searchlight revealed her headed on no lawful

the Equalisation of Dividend Fund and the Repairs and Renewals Account. In the Profit and Loss Account, the amounts written off as depreciation have been adjusted to round off the values of property and plant under fixed Assets.

"Of the new issue of 10,000 shares offered to shareholders during the year at a premium of \$25 each, 7,639 were taken up, realising a profit of \$190,975, and leaving 2,361 Shares still unissued."

"There does not appear to be anything else that requires special mention, and I now beg to propose that the accounts be adopted as presented."

Mr. Dodwell seconded the motion, which was adopted.

Other Business
Mr. Thomson proposed and Mr. Murdoch seconded confirmation of Messrs. Johnson, von Haensisch and Goodwin being invited to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors, also of the invitation to Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. L. Kadoorie to join the Board. The motion was carried.

Mr. Castle proposed and Mr. D. Mackenzie seconded that Mr. Austin and Mr. Compton, who retired in rotation and offered themselves for re-election, be re-elected to the Board. The motion was carried.

Mr. Castle proposed and Mr. D. Mackenzie seconded that Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming be retained as auditors. This was agreed to.

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Miss A. M. da Rocha

BURIAL AT HAPPY VALLEY YESTERDAY

The death of Miss Aida Maria da Rocha occurred suddenly at the early age of 19 years at her residence, No. 10 Shing Wong Street, at 4 a.m. yesterday.

The deceased, who was formerly a student of the Italian Convent, had been ailing for the past five months. On Wednesday night she retired as usual and passed away quietly at 4 a.m. owing to heart failure.

The late Miss Rocha is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. C. da Rocha, three brothers and a sister. She was the eldest daughter.

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday evening, the Rev. Father E. C. Brookes officiating, at the graveside.

The chief mourners were the deceased's father, brothers, Gustavo, Octavio and Frankie, sister, Annie, uncle, J. M. da Rocha, and cousin, J. G. da Rocha. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. M. Andres, F. J. Agabeg, Mrs. W. K. Kew, V. C. da Rocha, H. Barros, E. L. Barros, Q. Castillo, J. Baptista, A. S. Gomes, R. M. J. Silva, F. Barros, J. Figueiredo, V. Ribeiro, A. Silva, J. P. Pomeroy, F. Marques, L. Ribeiro, D. Baptista, H. Dickson, A. Neves, A. Pinto, C. O. Baptista, A. C. Gomes, J. Veiera, J. Remedios, J. B. Xavier, J. Evans, J. Pinto, Sisters of the Italian Convent and pupils, and many others.

Floral tributes were sent by Father and Mother; Gustavo, Octavio, Annie and Frankie; Pauline; Ada and Jim; Cissie Abbas; Minnie Abbas; Mr. and Mrs. F. de Barros and family; Misses Norah and Helen Kew; Davey Lee; Miss S. E. Lee; Dr. G. Lee; Mr. Lee and Mrs. Bucks; Mrs. McKenzie and Jim; Steve Osorio; Rosita da Rocha and Joao Maria da Rocha; Mr. and

By courtesy of the Air Commodore a large quantity of mail matter was carried from Shanghai for Hong Kong and Singapore.

The night before leaving Shanghai the officers of the two flying boats were the guests of the Royal Air Force Association of Shanghai, at an informal social gathering.

One case of diphtheria, two of enteric fever and one of chicken-pox were reported to the Health authorities in the 24 hours ended on Wednesday.

Mrs. G. F. da Rocha; Mrs. Julia M. C. da Rocha and family; Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Way; Miss Helen V. Woo and others.

GERMAN-DANISH TRADE TREATY

Copenhagen, To-day. — The ratification bill of the German-Danish Trade Treaty of January 30, 1935, which passed the Folketing on February 21, also passed the second and final test in the Landsting on Wednesday night, so that it becomes law. — Trans-Ocean Service.

FUNERAL BEARER DIES

Bertie Oakley, aged 45, master mariner, collapsed and died at Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) while preparing to act as bearer at a friend's funeral.

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HARD LABOUR & THE BIRCH

European Lady Victim Of Bag-Snatcher

Chan Lee, a street coolie, was this morning sentenced to eight months' hard labour and to 20 strokes of the birch by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy for snatching a handbag containing \$30 from Miss G. K. Saunders of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., in a lane near Messrs. Kelly and Walsh at 7 p.m. yesterday.

Miss G. Saunders, in evidence, said that as it was dark she could not recognise the snatcher, and that a struggle had taken place, during which the band of the bag was broken. One of the diamonds of a ring which she was wearing at the time had been dislodged from the setting, but as she was wearing her gloves the stone was found in it.

Ip Kuen, a chauffeur, who arrested defendant, was positive he saw the defendant with the bag when he caught him, and that he was the only person running at the time.

GERMANY'S NEW ZEPPELIN

Successful Trial Flight

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Friedrichshafen, To-day.

The new Zeppelin LZ 129, on the way back from Munich to its headquarters here yesterday, passed Bad Toelz at 12.50 p.m., reached Augsburg at 12.30 p.m. and reappeared over Friedrichshafen at 3.15 p.m. The Zeppelin then cruised over Lake Constance for another hour and began the descent at 4.20 p.m., landing finally at 4.40 p.m., the whole trip having lasted exactly eight hours, as previously planned.

This trip, under unfavourable atmospheric conditions, is regarded by experts here as proof of the vessel's absolute airworthiness.—Trans-Ocean Service.

H. M. VISITS THE "QUEEN MARY"

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Commodore Sir Edgar Britten, Master of the Queen Mary, was presented to His Majesty, as were also a number of engineering officials and workmen. It is learned that the King expressed his intention of visiting the liner again before it is commissioned. A proposal is being considered for him to go on the trial trip from Southampton.

After luncheon with the officials of John Brown and Co., the King visited half a dozen tenement flats near the centre of the city. He knocked at each door, seeking entrance.

One 5½-year old boy asked shyly: "Are you the new King?" His Majesty replied: "Yes, little man. I am," patting the boy's head.

Afterwards he took tea with the first Labour Lord Provost of Glasgow, Mr. John Stewart, and the City Council.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

THOROUGH TOUR

London: The exceedingly thorough tour which the King made of the great liner Queen Mary at Clydebank yesterday is said to have covered seven miles. He inspected almost every part of the ship, from the boiler rooms, which he climbed down steel ladders to reach, to the searchlight platform. The cabin, tourist and third class accommodation were inspected with equal thoroughness, as were also the swimming pools, gymnasiums, lounges, libraries and children's rooms.

The King showed his interest by the numerous questions he asked, and was informed among other facts that the vessel had 24 lifeboats, self-propelled with diesel engines, each accommodating 145 people; that the oil plant could pump 100,000 gallons of oil per hour to lubricate the engines; and that the liner's service speed would be 29 knots.

The King stood for some time on the bridge fascinated by the scene below him in the shipyard and out over the Clyde. While on board many of the men who had helped in the liner's construction were presented to the King, and when he came ashore there were remarkable scenes of enthusiasm, cheering workmen breaking

COLD SPELL TO CONTINUE

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Poor People In Distress In Canton

Canton, to-day: Most people in Canton are heavily dressed this morning, as the lingering cold wave refuses to leave, after remaining here since last week-end. The minimum temperature yesterday was 42 degrees Fahrenheit, and this morning the cold is no less severe.

North winds, overcast skies and drizzles intensify the icy weather. While rickshaw coolies and beggars are shivering with cold, Government officials and merchants work at their desk with overcoats or fur coats on. Most people are heavily dressed owing to the general lack of heating systems in the houses and offices.

The cold spell is striking the entire China coast, stretching 200 miles inland. The temperature of the coastal ports is moderated by the warm ocean influence, but, being inland, Canton is not benefited in this manner.

The cost of foodstuffs is increasing on account of the cold weather, which is a further hardship to the poor. Some charitable institutions are distributing hot congee, but many of them have no appropriations for relief, as they thought the winter was well over.—Our Own Correspondent.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone remains stationary over China, Japan and the adjacent seas, and has decreased moderately in intensity. Pressure appears to be highest to the north of the Lower Yangtze Valley. North-east winds, fresh; cloudy, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

NEW SHIPS FOR ATLANTIC

£10 Fare To New York

TWO 30,000-TON VESSELS TO BE BUILT

Final stages have been reached in the plans for two new 30,000-ton ships which will operate a trans-Atlantic service on the basis of a £10 fare. It is understood that details of the scheme will shortly be made known.

The service is to be operated by a British company, and it is understood that Government approval of the arrangements is assured. The principal organizer of the scheme is Major Frank Bustard, formerly traffic manager of the White Star Line, now merged with the Cunard Company.

Non-inclusive Rates
Passengers will be able on the new service to pay only for such meals as they select. The new company will be the first to offer non-inclusive rates.

The ships are expected to be ready in 1938. Negotiations with Vickers-Armstrong have already taken place, and it is hoped that the keels may be laid down this spring.

The building of the ships will provide two years' employment for more than 3,000 men. The ships will run between New York, Dublin and Liverpool every 10 days. Sailing days will be Wednesdays and Saturdays. The journey will be made in just under a week.

At the meeting held yesterday, the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital decided to establish a Children's Ward in the Hospital. Hitherto sick children have had to be accommodated in the female ward.

through the police cordon and surrounding him.

After luncheon the King visited the Corporation housing schemes in Glasgow. He also visited an overcrowded area, from which the inhabitants will be transferred to Council houses. He entered six tenements, chatting for some time in each case with the occupants. Men, women and children surged round him in the roadway and cheered him with the greatest enthusiasm.—British Wireless Service.

POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION

Heavy Fine Inflicted On Unemployed

Wong Kan-che, unemployed, was this morning fined \$500, in default six months' hard labour, by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy for having in his possession on Wednesday, 10 rounds of ammunition without permission.

Detective - Sergeant Shepherd said that defendant was searched in Pounds Lane on Wednesday at 12.30 p.m. and the ammunition was found on him. When questioned he said he was a police informer and that they had been given to him by Yuen Yee, a sanitary coolie.

It was later found that Yuen Yee had picked the ammunition up early in the morning and taken it back to the coolie quarters to hand it to Inspector Chater. The latter was not to be found so Yung Yee placed it in his cubicle and forgot about it till the Police questioned him. He then found that the rounds had been stolen.

SYRIAN REVOLT ECHO

Demands Made By Lebanon

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Paris, To-day.

Six deputies of the Lebanese Parliament have presented a petition to the French High Commissioner, M. de Martel, in which they demand a restoration of all constitutional rights, the arrangement of a treaty regulating the relations between France and Lebanon, and the admission of Lebanon to the League of Nations.—Trans-Ocean Service.

JAPANESE CABINET

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War: General Count Terauchi, son of the former Premier, Field Marshal Count Terauchi;
Navy: Admiral Nagano;
Home Affairs: Mr. Takukuchi Kawasaki;

Justice: Mr. Naoshi Ohawa.
The investiture of the Premier will take place at the Palace to-day. With reference to the resignation of the Supreme War Council, mentioned on Tuesday, Generals Hayashi and Mazaki have been placed on the retired list.—Reuter.

LONDON PRESS COMMENTS
London: Moderation has gained the day, for the new Japanese Government may be judged to be of a complexion similar to the old, declares the Morning Post in a leading article. The fact that the Emperor himself has taken this line should serve to discourage the hotheads.

Friends of Japan may hope for some relaxation of the tension in the Far East without thereby crediting the new Government with the intention of abandoning the settled course of Japanese policy. The prospects for the maintenance of peace in the Pacific are definitely more promising than many people had begun to believe a few days ago.—Reuter.

A GUARDSMAN'S MOUSTACHE

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The Labour members appeared to be specially tickled. Mr. Tom Williams (Don Valley) asked Sir Victor to illustrate how a soldier's moustache should be grown. Mr. J. J. Lawson (Chester-le-Street) wanted to know whether "Old Bill's" walrus moustache was strictly in accordance with King's Regulations, while the Rev. J. Barr (Coatbridge) suggested that the moustache question might be included as an addendum to the defence White Paper.

An unidentified questioner brought the house down by asking what was the colour of the moustache? He understood this was the crux of the question.—Reuter.

Yeung Tai-ke, driver of lorry No. 2813, was this morning fined \$20 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for speeding in Connaught Road West on February 4. Mr. D. L. King was the complainant.

Kwong Ching and Tin Fook, two coolies employed at No. 557 The Peak, were admitted to the Government Civil Hospital this morning, suffering from the effects of charcoal fumes.

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